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President Chaim Herzog congratulates Yitzhak Shamir following his induction as Israel's seventh Prime Minister. [Uzi Keren photo]

Difficult task ahead

Gross takes over CIC helm

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Canada is, if not the greatest, one of the staunchest friends Israel has in the world.

Anne Gross will always bear this in mind as she carries out her duties as national chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee. She was recently elected to that position, succeeding Harold Buchwald of Winnipeg, who was chairman for four years. The job, however, is officially a 1-year term.

Anne Gross

Gross is a veteran community volunteer, who has held executive posts in Hadassah-WIZO, State of Israel Bonds Organization, Canadian Zionist Federation, Canadian Jewish Congress, Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation and Canada-Israel Academic Exchange Foundation, to name those most prominent in recent memory.

She has been associated with the CIC almost since its creation 10 years ago and was, until assuming the national chairmanship, Quebec Region chairman and a national vice-chairman.

Gross holds degrees in economics and political science and in law from McGill University, although she never pursued a legal profession because at the time of graduation women were not permitted to take the bar examinations.

She was legal and civics chairman for the Montreal Council of Women for a number of years.

Gross is the first to admit the task ahead of her will not be an easy one. Despite her faith in Canada's devotion to Israel, differences continue between the CIC and some aspects of the government's foreign policy with regard to the Middle East.

Major among them is Canada's dealings with the PLO "at a junior official" level, said Gross. "The CIC opposes all contacts with the PLO." However, the CIC does now endorse the need for a solution for the Palestinian problem.

The CIC also takes issue with Canada's voting record at the United Nations. "Even though Canada is evenhanded and will oppose some outrageous anti-Israel resolutions at the UN, nonetheless at times the voting record is ambivalent.

"The CIC finds it difficult to understand the very subtle nuances the Canadian government claims are the reasons for a change in a vote on a particular resolution."

The CIC has also not forgotten the unfairness of Canada's call in the summer of 1982 for the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon, without an equal demand of the occupying Syrian and PLO forces.

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Economic problems swamp Shamir gov't.

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Yitzhak Shamir was besieged by mounting economic problems as he succeeded Menachem Begin as Israel's seventh Prime Minister.

Having cobbled together a shaky coalition similar to that of Begin's last government, Shamir was faced by a crisis in the economy.

Shamir, confirmed by a Knesset vote of 60-53, warned in a speech that Israelis would have to tighten their belts to contain the soaring inflation rate, reduce the balance of payments problem and curb the external debt.

But even as he spoke, Israelis were up in arms over news of a sudden reform in bank stocks that is expected to decrease their value by as much as 30%.

By the end of last week, Shamir had administered his medicine to the sick economy, and this touched off panic buying of durable goods, food and U.S. dollars.

To deal with the 130% inflation, $4.5 billion balance of payments deficit and $22 billion foreign debt, Shamir devalued the shekel — Israel's currency — by 23%, raised gasoline prices by 23% and cut by 50% government subsidies on meat, dairy products and bread.

The measures may have been necessary but they were unpopular. Shimon Peres, the Labor Party leader, accused the Likud of having led Israel into tragedy both on the economic front and in Lebanon, and he called for elections.

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Ontario may use civil suits to eradicate hate literature

By TAMMY KAROL

Ontario may be leading the way in the efforts to stop the spread of hate literature in this country.

Last month Attorney-General Roy McMurtry appointed lawyer Patrick Lawlor, a New Democrat MPP for 15 years and a former party justice critic, to probe the possibility of using civil lawsuits and provincial libel and slander laws to stop facist or hate literature.

McMurtry's action may be one way to get around what seem to be ineffective federal laws to deal with hate literature distribution.

McMurtry told the Legislature's justice committee last week that the Criminal Code "is so useless in fighting hate literature that there hasn't been a successful prosecution since amendments involving hate literature were made in 1977, and the only conviction was later overturned on appeal."

Lawlor, who intends to produce a report by late December, believes civil courts may also be more effective for ethnic or racial groups to use because they generally move faster than criminal courts.

The Canadian Jewish Congress recently told a parliamentary committee on racism that elimination from the hate legislation of one word, "wilfully," would discourage racists and that it would be easier to prosecute under the law. And B'nai B'rith and Ontario Liberal leader David Peterson are urging that distributors of hate literature be charged under the Criminal Code's hate propaganda section.

But McMurtry insists the present law is inadequate and says that if Ontario prosecutes under this law and loses, it "would only serve to encourage other like-minded people . . . other lunatics, but very dangerous lunatics."

Federal Justice Minister Mark MacGuigan has indicated the mounting campaign to toughen federal laws against hate literature may result in Criminal Code changes this fall.

Peterson wrote to MacGuigan this month urging changes to the Code and said he is optimistic the minister's planned amendments this fall will include tougher hate laws. But changing the law could take a long time.

The Canadian Human Rights Act of 1977 has no general ban on spreading hatred although a section was added outlawing hate messages over the phone.

Most provincial human rights codes do not deal specifically with hate literature. And although an Ontario Human Rights Commission report recommended adding a hate section to Ontario's code in 1977, it was left out when amendments were made three years later.

France, PLO strike a deal

PARIS [JTA] —

France and the PLO last year concluded an agreement providing for their co-operation in preventing terrorist attacks on French territory, according to the usually well-informed French weekly, Le Canard Enchaine.

The agreement was concluded last October by PLO chief Yasser Arafat and French intelligence chief Pierre Marion during a meeting in Arafat's headquarters near Tunis.

According to the paper, the agreement was approved by President Francois Mitterand, but most French cabinet ministers were not informed of its existence.

The accord was concluded at a time when the PLO was in deep trouble and had already evacuated Beirut. The PLO promised to help the French prevent attacks on France's territory by terrorist gangs led by Abu Nidal, the Armenian secret army and other extremist groups.

The newspaper implied that the PLO was grateful for France's help during Israel's siege of Beirut. France helped at the time to obtain an evacuation agreement for PLO fighters, and French warships even escorted the Greek vessel on which Arafat left Beirut for Athens.

Banker applauds actions

Tough stand needed

By SONITA HORVITCH
[Financial Post banking editor]

In the short run, Israel's new economic measures are unlikely to be popular, but in the longer term, they will, hopefully, restore stability to a highly volatile situation and encourage healthy growth in an economy which is currently suffering from: very high inflation [130%]; falling exports, which in Israel's case count for a very high percentage of total domestic production; high government spending, and high foreign debt.

In Toronto recently, Zalman Shoval, a former Israeli politician now in charge of one of the country's merchant banks, said the time is ripe for the government to take full advantage of the present crisis and reduce its expenditure, reverse the trend to declining exports [which should be easier now that the world recovery is under way]; and allow the real industrial strength of the country, [such as in the field of high technology], to shine through. The medicine, he said, will be tough to swallow but it "depends whether the doctors are strong enough to administer it."

Aridor's departure clearly signals a change in government economic policy.

For a start, Aridor is associated with policies that encouraged substantial increases in consumer spending, some of which were import related and increased both the import bill and fueled inflation.

Then Aridor promoted the policy of devaluing the shekel more slowly than implied by Israel's high inflation rate when compared with the more modest inflation rates of its major trading partners.

In short, many have complained that the shekel has been overvalued and that this has made Israeli exports less competitive. Shamir's hefty 23% devaluation of the shekel puts paid to this policy of gradual devaluation.

But, at the same time, devaluation makes imports more expensive which, because so many goods are imported into Israel, could spell higher inflation.

There is also concern in some circles that now that the government is backstopping the value of bank shares, this will reduce the independence of the banking community in Israel.

World-National

Nazi fighters erase myths of Holocaust

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

I have just returned from Jerusalem where I attended the first and possibly last assembly of World War II partisans and fighters against Nazism. Several thousand of them came from about 20 countries. Representatives of the Communist East were conspicuously absent.

Rabbi Plaut

Assemblies of this kind have, regrettably, a diminishing appeal. World attention was focused on the survivors' gathering here two years ago when childhood friends, ghetto dwellers and camp inmates found each other again. A year ago the camp liberators met in Washington under the aegis of the U.S. State department, and earlier this year, also in Washington, another successful survivors' conference took place.

Now, at Mr. Begin's urging, a last assembly had been called, combining both fighters and victims. Considering earlier and recent efforts of a similar nature, it turned out to be quite successful. The State of Israel pulled out all stops and gave us a rousing reception. Its leaders were in attendance and the night spectacles at Yad Vashem and Masada will not be soon forgotten by those who attended.

At Yad Vashem the delegates were joined by 3,000 Israelis in underscoring the need for remembrance — for the sake of the past and also as a challenge for the younger generation.

Canadian delegates came from Toronto, Montreal, Windsor and a few other communities. We shared in some joyful reunions. Montrealer Sara Bedzow had been a partisan fighter in the Gulower forests near Riki. She managed to survive the Nazis but almost fell victim to the post-liberation Polish pogromchiks. Her co-fighter Menashe Bronkesh [now of New Jersey] believed her dead. They discovered each other at the Assembly — after 39 years.

There were other stories, endless in their variety, yet alike in their setting of courage and valor.

Faye Schulman, a well known leader in the (Conservative) Women's League in Canada was, like her husband Morris, a partisan fighter. A young girl when the Germans came to her little town near Pinsk, she was warned that escape would result in the severest punishment for all Jews. She stayed at home. But when she saw that the Nazis were killing without needing a pretext and when her family fell victim to the murderers, she took to the woods and joined the Russian partisans.

For 3½ years she never slept under roof; she had to stand her ground not only as a fighter with a rifle by also as a photographer and a surgeon, for which pursuits she had two major qualifications: she was willing to do what she could and there was no one else to do it.

What emerged from these five days was a powerful antidote to the myth that all Jews went like lambs to the slaughter. "The truth is one of history's best kept secrets," said Sam Gruber, president of the Association of Underground Fighters and Partisans, [UGA], who estimated that 50,000 Jewish partisans fought the Nazis [but some say 250,000], along with 500,000 or more Jews in the Allied armies. "Their fight equalled that of the Maccabees or even excelled it," he said.

The afternoon session which I had the privilege of chairing ended with a ceremony at the Wall, presided over by Israel's President, Chaim Herzog, along with Defence Minister Moshe Arens and Chief of Staff Moshe Levy. It was a fitting climax.

Yitzhak Arad, director of Yad Vashem, reminded us that everyone who thwarted Hitler's aim of exterminating the Jewish people made a historic contribution. Therefore, those who managed to survive were in the wider sense also part of the resistance movement.

And so, above all, is the State of Israel, whose very existence is the negation of our enemies' designs and whose security spells the assurance of Jewish survival. That fact was never far from the minds of the delegates.

Toronto becomes dynamic, vibrant city

MP "delighted" at minorities' role

By
GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —
When David Collenette emigrated to Canada as an 11-year-old schoolboy, Toronto's East York reflected the same cultural and linguistic background he'd left in England — largely British and "very WASPish," recalls Collenette.

Now, 21 years later, when the new multiculturalism minister returns to his East York constituency, he is "amazed and delighted" to see the "enormous changes" the estimated 100,000 members of the so-called visible minorities have brought to his adoptive home.

"In the past 20 years, we've created a multicultural, multiracial city — it's dynamic, it's vibrant. The whole nature of Toronto has changed radically," he says.

Collenette, 37, is the youngest member of the newly reorganized federal cabinet. First elected to parliament in 1974 and again in 1980, he has served as parliamentary secretary to: the postmaster-general [before Canada Post became a crown corporation], the president of the privy council and the government house leader.

Believing the multiculturalism portfolio is a strong positive tool in the development of a multiracial society, he says "the policy served as a catalyst. I can't claim the attitudes started to change just because the government set up a federal department to focus on Canada's changing makeup, but the creation of this department did allow a more harmonious development of a multicultural society.

"The fact is, when a member of a minority feels that society's institutions — principally through the government — are on his or her side and the government recognizes and is sensitive to their cultural and linguistic needs, that person feels much better about fitting into Canadian society."

He said the department's main concern in its first 10 to 12 years was "vertical sensitizing" — making the so-called majority cultures aware of the newcomers, the immigrants and their cultural backgrounds. "Now it's time for a more horizontal sensitizing. We must see that each group remains tolerant of the other.

"Canadians can't afford to be smug or complacent. We have to be really vigilant — always vigilant — so we can condemn racism — like the recent events in Alberta with Mr. Keegstra — quickly and strongly, in all its manifestations."

Apathy is the greatest problem in Collenette's opinion. "If we're apathetic, racial incidents will surface. Now that the multicultural principle is firmly entrenched in the constitution, we have to make sure there is no letting up."

The multicultural budget for 1983-84 runs to $21 million, but "the government is really strapped for funds now. Multicultural projects can't expect a significant increase. We assume we won't be getting much, if any, new money," Collenette says.

David Collenette

The government will continue to fund some 5,000 community-oriented projects through its grant program, but Collenette believes his ministerial role will focus on building the multicultural dynamic with low-cost initiatives at the federal level.

He refers especially to the recently introduced affirmative action directives requiring civil service hiring policies to more properly reflect Canada's ethnic makeup.

Collenette believes his party must do more than pay lip service to the multicultural fabric.

"We're coming up to an election year and I'm going to do my utmost to make sure our party organizers actively recruit so-called ethnic or multicultural candidates."

As a member of the Trudeau cabinet, Collenette has a say in the appointments to federal boards and agencies and believes he has a constructive role to play in naming future appointments.

"My predecessor, Jim Fleming, was actively building a bank of names of all the ethnic leaders in the various disciplines and areas of expertise. I would like to enhance that list. With 30% of the Canadian population being other than English or French in origin, it is time our federal agencies reflected that diversity."

Collenette feels very strongly about his role as representative to the various ethnic communities and believes he can be more effective meeting with communal leaders to discuss problems and ways to solve them than he can by attending endless banquets.

"It's great from the community's point of view to know the minister is there, but they see you up at the head table and don't really see you talking in substantive terms about their problems.

"I don't think we've done enough of this in the past. A lot of the problems will obviously be problems the other communities are experiencing and we might be able to come up with solutions for a number of people that don't necessarily require large scale funding," he says.

"In terms of the Jewish community, I know quite a few of the B'nai B'rith and Canadian Jewish Congress leaders through my wife's work."

[Penny Collenette has been a strident voice for the Soviet Jewry cause, both in Canada as president of the parliamentary spouses Soviet Jewry Committee and at the international conference for Soviet Jews held in Jerusalem last spring].

He stresses that Canadians cannot tolerate incidents like the Keegstra affair and he will work with the Jewish community to ensure that such incidents do not occur without strong censure in future.

While there have been a number of "nasty incidents" in Toronto and Montreal in this past year, Collenette is convinced that the multiracial dynamic is gaining acceptance.

"If you compare race relations in Canada with other countries, I think we've done a pretty good job," he says. "Racist manifestations still continue to surface, but I think, by and large, Canada is a racially tolerant country."

Government provides funds to fight racism in Alberta

By
TAMMY KAROL

The Alberta government is giving over half a million dollars to the province's Human Rights Commission to combat racism in Alberta.

The $542,000 campaign, launched Oct. 6, is headed by Marlene Antonio, chairman of Alberta's HRC and Les Young, the province's labor minister and runs to mid-December.

Its theme is "Alberta is for all of us." Advertising is being coordinated by Hayhurst Communications of Calgary and will run on radio and television as well as in Alberta's dailies, weeklies and ethnic newspapers.

The campaign kicks off with two 30-second TV spots.

In the first one, a boy at the door of his home turns away another youngster after his mother says to him he must play with his own kind. When the boy asks, "What's your own kind?" the other child answers, "I don't know. I thought you were."

The voice of the announcer then adds: "Children are not born racists. They learn it. Please be careful what your children learn."

The second TV ad depicts different races getting together to build a school and shows how Alberta is made up of various ethnic groups. Radio spots and newspaper ads will present this TV message in an adapted version.

According to Pat Sherbin, HRC's public affairs officer, the campaign ads bought so far will reach 80% of the TV and radio audience and will be broadcast at prime listening and viewing times. TV ads, for instance, were shown during the World Series.

In all, ads will appear in 10 dailies, 145 weeklies and 30 ethnic papers, as well as on numerous radio stations and CTV, CBC, and independent networks.

Alberta Culture and the HRC are also preparing 52 profiles of ethnic communities in Alberta. A profile on the Jewish community, for example, will focus on one of the first settlers in Calgary who was Jewish. The profiles are 600 words in length and weeklies and dailies are being asked to run them as a public service.

Radio stations are also producing vignettes on the 52 profiles under the title People of Alberta, and each will run 30 seconds.

The radio, TV and newspaper profiles are scheduled to appear next month.

The HRC is preparing a booklet on racism along with a number of posters, according to Sherbin.

The third part of its campaign is a resource centre with books, displays and audio-visual features on racism.

HRC's campaign was initiated 18 months ago after many racist incidents came to the attention of the commission. These included distribution of anti-Jewish and anti-Black posters in July 1982 and distribution of these same posters this summer in Edmonton. The posters originated from a group called the White Aryans, in Hayden Lake, Idaho.

Sherbin says there has been no great increase in racist incidents reported to the HRC over the last year, but she reports that there have been isolated events, including the beating up of an Asian student in a Calgary high school a few months ago.

According to Sherbin, the "catalyst" for the HRC and the government to take more affirmative action against racism was the Keegstra affair.

(Jim Keegstra, a former teacher in Eckville, Alberta, was fired from his job last year after teaching students that the Holocaust was a hoax.)

HRC chairman Marlene Antonio said that only after the Keegstra episode erupted did the members of the Edmonton Jewish community attend an HRC meeting to discuss combating racism. Antonio said Herb Katz, president of Edmonton's Jewish Community Council, expressed concern at the May meeting about Keegstra's teachings and wanted the HRC to take action.

According to Antonio, though, pressure to launch the $542,000 campaign came from the HRC itself after the Keegstra episode and not from the Jewish community.

Said Antonio: "We tossed the idea from pillar to post for the last 18 months as more and more people came to us concerned about hate literature . . . but Keegstra was the catalyst."

In reviewing the number of complaints the HRC received last year, Antonio said there has been no appreciable increase in racist incidents and pointed out that even the Keegstra affair is not "major."

"He is one man expressing racist views who is getting too much attention. He's been given hero status by some groups." She added that Keegstra was even invited this year to be a guest speaker in Hayden Lake for the White Aryan organization (a group responsible for sending much racist material to Canada).

Antonio said she has requested Alberta's attorney-general Neil Crawford to support the tightening of the Criminal Code dealing with hate literature distribution in Canada. According to Antonio, Crawford made representation to Federal Justice Minister Mark MacGuigan reinforcing the opinion of the HRC, and MacGuigan has apparently indicated changes in legislation could be forthcoming.

Too much scope, too little accountability

CJC seeks change in feds' intelligence agency

By
GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —
While Canadian Jewish Congress applauds the concept of the proposed Civilian Intelligence Security Service (CISS), it is urging the government to revise the draft legislation.

CJC witnesses at the special Senate committee hearings into the proposed CISS, recently told the 15-member committee that Bill C-157, as it now stands, provides members of the service too much scope, too little accountability and almost no limitation on the kinds of activities they could engage in to "remain informed about the Canadian political environment."

Milton Harris, president of CJC, said, in his opening remarks to the committee that CJC considers "an effective security service a necessary tool in the defence of a democratic system."

He referred to the increased acts of violence against Jews in the past three or four years in a number of European centres and to the rising number of actual and threatened incidents of anti-semitic violence in Canada in the past year.

"We recognize the two competing principles: the need for the state to protect its citizens and the rights of individuals to those freedoms guaranteed in our Charter. A properly established and responsible intelligence service should be consistent with both our democratic values and the protection of those values," Harris said.

Bill C-157 currently contains the "potential for serious violation of the civil liberties guaranteed in the Charter." JCC's 28-page brief calls on the government to implement nine amendments to clearly define and severely curtail the areas in which surveillance personnel could operate.

Sections 21 and 22 of the draft legislation gave the CJC law and social action committee members the greatest difficulty, according to CJC witness Frank Schlesinger. "The current legislation gives blanket authorization to members of the proposed CISS to engage in almost any activity. It is not realistic nor reasonable to assume employees would impose limitations on themselves when they are given almost unlimited scope for their activities," warned Schlesinger.

Employees of the service should not be seen to be above the law, he added. "We must admit that while such extra-legal activity may be necessary in certain emergencies, it should be recognized as illegal.

"Surveillance and law enforcement are separate functions. The need to break the law should occur less often with members of the service than with police officers. Apprehension is not a function of the security service."

CJC would delete existing sections and replace them with provisions requiring the issuing by a judge of a warrant, for all actions, except in emergency situations, by members of the service.

The conditions for issuing the warrant, its time limitations and specific "limits on places to be entered and material seized" would be strictly controlled by the issuing judge.

All such warrants would have to be reported to the director of the CISS who would be responsible for notifying the solicitor-general in each instance.

CJC's recommendations make "the director and employees criminally responsible for any action in excess of their authority."

Elizabeth Wolfe spoke of the use of a "threshold measure" to be applied where intrusive measures become necessary.

The CJC brief would forbid such methods for "fishing expeditions" eg. tapping telephones to find out a person's contacts without any suspicions that the person under surveillance does have contact with persons who might themselves pose a security threat. This would be an unnecessary invasion of privacy.

"The matter must be of sufficiently serious nature to justify the issuance of a warrant," Wolfe said. The judge issuing the warrant must be satisfied that all non-intrusive methods have failed or would likely fail, the brief stipulates.

Fred Zemans, who headed the CJC committee to formulate the brief, was emphatic: "Public accountability must permeate the legislation. It cannot be so written that it would give future solicitors-general a plausible denial of responsibility," he said.

The amendments proposed by CJC make the director responsible directly to the minister and to a review committee that would be empowered to compile special reports, which, when submitted to the minister, would have to be tabled in Parliament within 15 days of the minister receiving them.

The 3-member committee would be appointed jointly by both the Prime Minister and the leader of the opposition (as it now stands, the Prime Minister would only have to consult with the leader of the opposition).

Senator Jean-Paul Deschatelets praised this proposed revision, which would take the review process out of partisan politics.

Under the current bill, the CISS could investigate lawful protesters and dissenters. There are no sanctions if investigators should investigate lawful protesters and their findings prove negative.

CJC's amendment "prohibits investigations of such lawful activities and affairs solely on the basis of the participation of that person or group in the lawful advocacy and dissent" guaranteed under section 2[b] of the Charter.

Of the more than 35 briefs presented to the Senate committee to date, CJC was singled out for its comprehensive examination of the bill and its constructive proposals for alternative legislation.

Senator Deschatelets said: "You have my compliments for this submission. You are not only analyzing the bill, but when you see weaknesses, you come forward with some strong recommendations."

Following the hearing, Harris told The CJN, "We're very proud of our brief. Most have criticized sections of the bill or the whole thing. We wanted a document that works."

He said the feedback from the Senate committee members was "very positive . . . Our proposals for change were well received."

Soviet system under scrutiny

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —
The "largest single social science project" ever financed by the U.S. government will examine the workings of the Soviets' economic and social system.

Information for the 5-year, $7.5 million project, is to be supplied largely by the 130,000 Jewish emigres from the USSR, now living in the U.S.

The project was begun two years ago, without publicity, in order to first establish the planning and a staff of interviewers, led by a team of scholars from 11 universities, according to an official source.

The project is reported to be centred in 18 metropolitan areas and 40-50% of those interviewed will be in New York.

In 1972, the U.S. wanted Soviet immigrants in Israel to supply information on this topic, but Israel declined support, since it was felt the Soviet government might halt emigration.

It has also been learned that a similar project is under way in West Germany among the 90,000 German immigrants from the Soviet Union who have been allowed to leave in the past decade.

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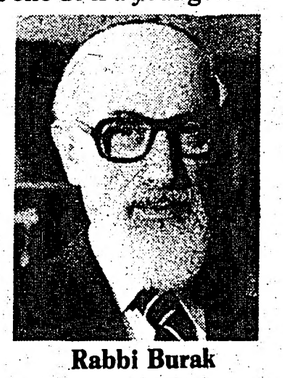
Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: When an adult gets circumcised, when does he get his Jewish name? How did he get along without a Jewish name over the years?

Generally speaking, a boy gets his name at his bris. But, what does one do if a youngster is too sick to undergo this surgery? What does one do if the child is born of a family with haemophilia? This fairly simple little operation could cost him his life, as the blood won't stop flowing. Shall such a child be without his Hebrew name? That is not the way of Judaism, to punish the innocent and the blameless. Therefore, some say that such a child should be given his name at once, and this will enable us to ask God's blessing upon him in the customary mi she-berach.


Rabbi Burak

This seems to me a bit strange. A number of distinguished sages did quite well without the use of a first name. This is seen in the Talmud where we have a galaxy of great scholars and otustanding men, called only by the name of the father.

The best known of these, and the easiest to find, for they are in your siddur, in Ethics of the Fathers, Chapter 4:1&2, are Ben Azzai, and Ben Zoma. In the Mishna, Yoma, Chapter 3:9, we have Ben Gamla who served as Cohen Gadol, the High Priest. One Mishna later, we meet Ben Kattin, another creative High Priest.

I am not saying that these men did not have first names. But, they got along spendidly without them, being known as the Son of Azzai, or the Son of Zoma. Even the leader of an army got by with the name Bar Kochba, the Aramaic form of Son of Star.

These names are so real that the Laws of Gittin discuss, in Chapter 130:11, the case of the witness whose name is Joseph son of Jacob, who signed the document with the words, Son of Jacob, Witness. The document is kosher.

This being so, every child has a name right at birth; if his father's name is Yitzhak, he is automatically Ben Yitzhak. So, if we need to say a prayer for a sick child we have a name to call him by, even before the ceremony of naming the child.

Now, we all know from personal observation that when a baby boy has his bris on the eight day of his birth, he gets his name right then and there.

This tradition of giving the name at the festival of the bris is very ancient. According to Pirke de-Rabbi Eliezer, Chapter 48:35: "When Moses was born, his parents saw that his face was like an angel of God. They circumcised him on the eighth day, and named him Yekusi-el."

Should you wonder why we don't call him by that name, the answer is that the woman who pulled him out of the water and raised him afterwards, and covered all the costs, deserves that the name she gave him remain with him for all time.

In 'Edus le-Yisrael, page 129, the learned sage quotes a source who tells us that an adult must be given his name at the time of his circumcision. It was Abram whose name was changed to Abraham at the time of his circumcision. No less a source than the Zohar, Genesis, 93A, states that Abraham got this name at his bris.

There was one man whose name was not given to him at his bris: Esau.

Argentine leaders sign manifesto totally repudiating anti-semitism

NEW YORK —

Leaders of the main political parties of Argentina, including the Peronists and the opposition Radical Civic Union, have signed a manifesto categorically repudiating anti-semitism, the World Jewish Congress reported last week.

Meanwhile, a leadership delegation of the country's Jewish community held a private meeting with the president of the republic, General Reynaldo Bignone, during which they expressed concern at recent anti-semitic outbreaks in the country.

According to the Latin American branch of the WJC, distinguished Argentine politicians and intellectuals signed the manifesto, published in the press, in which they "appeal to the citizens to repudiate every anti-semitic attempt against the basic tenets of the Argentine constitution, the basis of national co-existence."

They noted a renewal of anti-semitism and racism "expressed through various publications, violence against Jewish schools, and attacks on cultural institutions and synagogues."

The manifesto stressed that "public opinion should be aware of the fact that anti-semitism, which is deplorable in itself, is a means of destabilizing regimes and puts in motion authoritarian mechanisms." It further warned that "in times of crisis, anti-semitism and other forms of racist discrimination are used by elements who oppose pluralism as a form of life and democratic tolerance."

Among the party leaders who were signators were Deolindo Felipe Bittel (Peronists), Raul Alfonsin (Radical Civic Union), and Oscar Alende (Intransigent Party).

Earlier, Presidente Bignone received a delegation of the Delegacion de Asociaciones Israelitas Argentinas (DAIA) led by its president, Dr. Sion Cohen Imach. The DALA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry, is a WJC affiliate.

At the audience with Presidente Bignone, which was granted five months after having been requested, the Jewish leaders expressed the concern of the community "at the anti-semitic outbreak lately noticed in the country." They spoke of the proposed article 213 of the Argentina penal code which outlaws any form of racial or religious discrimination. This item was dropped from legislation during the government of General Juan Carlos Ongania and DAIA stressed that it would enhance the prestige of the present government to have it reinstated.

Cohen Imach also discussed with the president Argentina's stand at the recent New Delhi meeting of the Non-Aligned at which various anti-Israel resolutions had been adopted. "If Argentina considers it valid to join with the non-aligned world we have no objection because that is a matter of national sovereignty; but a real non-alignment should mean that you are not with one superpower or the other," Cohen Imach said.

He suggested it was wrong to condemn Israel for its war in Lebanon without saying anything against Russia's invasion of Afghanistan. He told the press that President Bignone reaffirmed Argentina's non-alignment "but this did not mean changing its tradtional relations with the State of Israel."

Joining Cohen Imach at the meeting were the vice-president of the DALA, Luis Comisarenco, and secretary-general Hilel Rubinson.

British MP will discuss Soviet Jewry with Commons

By
GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —

The first meeting of the parliamentary committee for Soviet Jewry, under its new chairman Jim Peterson, is scheduled for Oct. 25, with guest speaker British Member of Parliament Greville Janner, chairman of the all-party parliamentary committee for the release of Soviet Jews.

Janner is well known to the British Jewish community. He is chairman of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, an umbrella organization serving the Jewish communities of England, Scotland and Ireland, similar in function to Canadian Jewish Congress.

Peterson a Toronto MP, is no stranger either to the Jewish community or the Soviet Jewry cause. Since he was elected to the House of Commons in 1980, Peterson has been an active member of the committee he now chairs.

He has worked closely with the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry and has on several occasions attempted to intervene with officials in the Soviet Union on behalf of imprisoned Refuseniks like Vladimir Tsukerman and Anatoly Scharansky.

A spokesman in Peterson's office said an invitation has gone out to all MPs to attend the meeting and join the committee. "While there are always 15-20 active members on the committee, Mr. Peterson hopes to increase the actual participation in the committee's concerns, as well as attract new members," she said.

He believes the situation in the Soviet Union is becoming increasingly alarming for Soviet Jews and hopes the committee will be able to mount a concerted effort on behalf of the persecuted Refuseniks, the spokesman explained.

1,000 synagogues send Bonds sales soaring

MONTREAL —

Sales of Israel Bonds in North America during the High Holiday synagogue appeals totaled more than $40 million, according to Thomas O. Hecht, national president of the Israel Bonds Organization in Canada.

"This year's results represented one of the best holiday peacetime achievements in the history of the Bond organization," he said. "With this outstanding response by congregants in North American synagogues, U.S. and Canadian Jewry have again demonstrated that they respond to Israel's economic needs in peace as well as in times of war."

Hecht noted that by enrolling 109 new synagogues in this year's appeal, the Bond organization has exceeded the 1,000 synagogue mark for the first time since 1951 when the organization was founded.

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Lubavitch Centre rises in Toronto

By
LEAH BELFON

TORONTO —

Number 770 Eastern Parkway in Brooklyn is the world headquarters of Lubavitch-Chabad, the unique movement that strives to bring each Jew closer to his heritage.

At 770 Chabad Gate, in Thornhill, another Lubavitch institution is rising — a magnificent community centre that will serve the Jews of North Toronto and beyond.

"We asked for and received the street number 770 from the municipal authorities, although that would not normally be the number," said Rabbi Zalman Grossbaum the director.

"In Hebrew, the numerical value of 770 equals the numerical value of the word ufaratzta, which is the motto of Lubavitch. It means to spread forth, and is taken from the promise God gave to Jacob: 'You shall be as numerous as the stars in the sky and shall spread forth to fill every corner of the earth.'

"This is the goal of Lubavitch: to spread forth the love of God and Torah to reach every Jew wherever he may be," Grossbaum explained.

Situated on a 3-acre site just north of Steeles off Bathurst, the 26,000-sq. ft. brick building, still under construction, is already alive with activity.

"Despite the concrete floors, the drywall and the jumble of wires," said Grossbaum, "over 400 people joined us for the High Holidays. A large number of Israeli families and emigres from the USSR came to shul on Yom Tov, so the sermon was delivered in Hebrew, English and Russian. We want everyone to feel comfortable here. Lubavitch is a family place; everything we do is family oriented.

"In 1977," he continued, "we dreamed that a vibrant Jewish community would develop in this area. There was a strong concentration of Jewish people at Bathurst and Steeles, and the natural place for the community to move was northward.

"We were right, of course. It took some time to get the proper zoning, to determine precisely what we needed, and to work with the architect, but late last year we started building. By December everything should be ready."

The centre was meticulously planned to best serve the neighborhood. "Many of those moving here," said Grossbaum, "are buying their first home. They are just starting their families, and the miracle of birth naturally brings forth the need to examine concepts one hasn't given much thought to before.

"Suddenly, issues like keeping kosher, observing Shabbes, the Jewish education of one's children, all become more important. We are here to answer questions and to show how beautiful a life lived Jewishly can be."

Grossbaum stressed that the Lubavitch Centre is "not just another shul looking to fulfil a membership quota." A staff of seven, under the spiritual leadership of Rabbi J. Shochet, is devoted to helping every member of the family develop a closeness to Judaism at his or her own pace.

"We offer lectures on every level. If you need advice on kosher mezuzas or koshering a kitchen, we are here. If you'd like to see what a real Shabbes is like, we offer hospitality. If you want to belong to a warm, caring, extended family, just drop in.

"Every Jew, no matter what his level of observance, is welcome here. We're very heimish and relaxed. We avoid formalized bureaucracy like the plague."

The facilities at the new centre are first-rate. To serve the families where both parents work outside the home, day-care for 2- and 3-year-olds is offered. There is the Bais Medrash, of course, plus auditorium space, lecture rooms, a library, two kitchens, two ultra-modern mikvehs and a large recreation area for young people.

"We hope," said Grossbaum, "that by next summer the grounds will be ready for Camp Lubavitch, which has operated out of rented quarters for years. Having our own space, tailor-made for us, will be marvelous."

Paying for all this, he said, does not come easily. He cited Al Latner, Jack Swartz and Joey M. Tanenbaum, "whose ongoing support and encouragement have been invaluable throughout the fund raising campaign . . .

"It's a $13 million project," said Grossbaum. "We're operating more on faith than on cash. But one thing I know for sure: It's faith that sees the Jewish people through — every time."

For additional information on Lubavitch programs, call 633-8020.

Rabbi Aaron Grossbaum, left, and Dr. Brian Price in front of the entrance to the Lubavitch Centre.

Rabbi Chaim Forer of the Lubavitch Centre shows Larry Bidner the correct way to put on tefillin. [Ben Lechtma... ...oto]

Agudath rejects call for nuclear arms freeze

NEW YORK [JTA] —

The Agudath Israel of America assailed a call by the Synagogue Council of America for an immediate, mutual and verifiable freeze of nuclear weapons as not representing "the views of the overwhelming majority of Orthodox Jews."

The criticism of the Synagogue Council was in response to a statement by Rabbi Mordechai Waxman, president of the council, at a press conference in Washington last month just prior to the Senate foreign relations committee's consideration of a nuclear freeze resolution that Jews support a freeze because of the biblical commandment to "choose life."

Waxman, who appeared together with representatives of Catholic organizations, physicians, lawyers and other professions at the press conference, said that the Synagogue Council, as representative of the Jewish religious community, supports the freeze resolution that was being considered at the time.

An Agudath Israel spokesman said that Waxman's reference to the Biblical commandment "is an oversimplification of Jewish tradition to interpret reverence for life as an argument for a nuclear freeze.

"To the extent that the quest for peace was the only proper basis for introducing Jewish tradition into the debate for a nuclear freeze, the argument was onesided and out of context. Who is to say whether more nuclear arms or disarmament is the ultimate vehicle for peace?"

The Agudath Israel spokesman reiterated his organization's earlier policy statement issued last April that although "no stone should be left unturned in an effort to put a halt to the frightening nuclear arms race and to achieve genuine peace, nevertheless while peace is a religious imperative, so is a strong national defense."

The spokesman also blamed Waxman for claiming that the Synagogue Council is representative of the Jewish religious community. "The fact is that the vast majority of Orthodox synagogues, rabbis and their constituents are not represented in the Synagogue Council, and the SCA has no right to continue to represent itself as the spokesman for Orthodox Jewry on any issue, including the nuclear freeze," the Agudath spokesman said.

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Editorial

Human chess

The U.S. department of state has been floating some interesting trial balloons of late. These unofficial policy statements are designed to elicit public response and so help the government formulate decisions.

The Wall Street Journal and other publications have recently featured articles speculating on the possibility of a large scale influx of Palestinians into the United States.

Estimates as to the number of potential Palestinian immigrants range from a low of 20,000 to a high of 2 million.

American proponents of the idea point out that inertia over the resolution of the dilemma of Palestinian "homelessness" lies at the heart of the Mideast situation.

Israel has never accepted the idea that the Palestinians are homeless. They share with their brothers and cousins in Jordan, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria and elsewhere in the Arab Levant, ties of blood, religion, language, ethnicity and history.

The problem of course is that while these Arab relatives have been ready to die for the Palestinians, they have not been ready to provide a foyer for them, preferring to use the Palestinians as pawns in one of the most callous games of human chess which has occurred in history.

Israel cannot accept the Palesatinians in its midst for reasons that are too obvious. The Arabs refuse to have them for other reasons. The result has been a people tossed around like so much jetsam and flotsam. That they themselves have been responsible for much of their suffering (because of their support of PLO lunacy) does not detract from their problems.

The American plan for a Palestinian immigration to the United States merits close scrutiny.

Jewish genius

We note that an American writer has now done what Canadian author Eric Koch did for the German Jews who made their way to North America.

Koch's book on the travail experienced by German-Jewish refugees in Canada prior and during World War II showed that Canadian government policy towards these people was — to put it gently — ungenerous.

Now Anthony Heilbut, a New Yorker, has just brought out Exiles in Paradise (Viking), a marvelous volume dealing with the treatment of German refugee artists and intellectuals from the 1930s to the present.

As the author notes, the vast majority of the German refugees were Jews. Almost 150,000 of them were fortunate enough to make their way to the United States.

There, despite the obstacles of language, culture and discrimination, German Jews were able to make a tremendous impact.

In the New York area, where many of the most distinguished German-Jewish expatriates lived, they formed an elite class, especially around the New School for Social Research.

In virtually every branch of science and the arts the German Jews contributed their genius. Hannah Arendt blazed new intellectual trails in her political treaties. Paul Lazerfield made insightful discoveries in social psychology and propaganda. Bruno Bettelheim extended our knowledge of the human psyche.

Heilbut's volume is a veritable cornucopia of the myriad achievements wrought by the members of the German-Jewish immigration to America.

Canadian Jews will, unfortunately, experience some tinges of sadness as they compare the record of the U.S. government in its reception of German Jews with that of the Canadian one — a comparison which reflects little distinction on us.

Peronists in tight battle for Oct. 30 election

Democracy may return to Argentina

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

On Oct. 30, Argentines go to the polls to elect a new government after seven years of military rule.

The Radical Party, which has the support of many middle-class Argentines, and the Peronists, which appeal to the working class, are running neck and neck.

Argentina's large Jewish community, the biggest in the southern hemisphere, is no doubt pleased by the prospect that democracy is on the verge of being resurrected in a land where the coup d'etat is common-place.

But Jews are somewhat worried by a Peronist victory. Peronism, founded by the late Juan Domingo Peron, is not anti-semitic or anti-Israel. However, the mass movement has attracted Argentines who have not been in sympathy with either the Jews or Israel.

Last month, Sion Cohen Imach, the president of DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry, is reported to have condemned what the Jewish Telegraphic Agency termed "the harmful activity of certain groups and circles within . . . the Peronist (party) which had encouraged anti-Jewish incitements."

The JTA report did not elaborate on Imach's charges, but did note that two of Peronism's leading figures repudiated anti-semitism and praised Argentine-Israel friendship.

Italo Luder, the party's candidate for the presidency, said in a statement that Peronism "never furthered any anti-semitic attitudes," and that he recognizes Israel's "integrity and its historic continuity . . ."

Deolindo Bittel, the vice-presidential candidate, said that anti-semitic sentiment was propagated by "mentally disturbed people" and that their propaganda had "no significance whatsoever."

Although Bittel's and Luder's remarks were well received by Jews, they could be forgiven for harboring lingering doubts, given Peron's still strong influence on Peronism.

Peron was a populist — a man who raised political ambiguity to an art form, writes Joseph Page in **Peron [Random House, $33]**, a new biography on the ruler who was in command of Argentina's affairs for a total of 10 years.

He preached revolution, yet revolutionized little more than expectations. He cultivated the image of a serious thinker, yet he embraced anti-intellectuality all his life.

After World War II, Peron admitted European Jews into Argentina. But he also provided a haven for Nazi war criminals on "humanitarian" grounds. He saw nothing morally repugnant about Nazi Germany and fascist Italy, believing that Hitler's Germany and Mussolini's Italy were developing an alternative to capitalism and communism.

David Dragunsky, chairman of the Soviet anti-Zionist committee, at a Moscow press conference in June.

Despite charges that he was anti-semitic, Peron criticized anti-semitism and took steps to discourage his ultra-nationalist supporters from persecuting Argentine Jewry.

A German who had escaped to Argentina after 1945 once asked him why he was loath to solve Argentina's "Jewish problem." If Hitler couldn't solve it with 100 million Germans, how could he, Peron, accomplish anything with only 20 million Argentines?

It was impossible to kill Jews or deport them, he argued. The best way to deal with them was to incorporate them into Argentine society as much as possible.

In 1967, Peron published a booklet outlining his philosophy. In it he professed a belief in the existence of a conspiracy among capitalists, Communists, Masons, Zionists and the Catholic church to impose a world order on all nations.

Sophisticated Peronists laughed off these rantings. But, as Page points out, Peronism's lunatic fringe laps up talk of a shadowy worldwide conspiratorial movement.

Soon after he assumed the office of presidency in 1973, for the third time since 1946, Peron praised the role of Jews in Argentina's development and went on to appoint a Jew as finance minister.

Mythical Peron would discipline those likely to embarrass him

Yet he disheartened Jews by dispatching a notorious anti-semitic publicist, Walter Beveraggi Alende, on a goodwill trip to the Middle East. And he turned a blind eye to the charge by a key member of his cabinet, Jose Lopez Rega, that the large numbers of Jews in government were in a stumbling block to the national interest.

Under Peron, Argentina abstained on the 1947 UN Palestine partition plan, which led to the creation of Israel. Yet Argentina and Israel maintained cordial relations.

Peron, who sometimes administered Argentina like a dictatorship, was a mythical figure to his acolytes . . . a legend of sorts. He would impose discipline on wayward followers who were likely to embarrass him with stupid statements.

If they win this month's election, can Luder and Bittel do the same?

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Strange but true — Howard Sarner, 35, has the dubious distinction of having been indicted for an anti-semitic attack on a 20-year-old Jewish neighbor in West Hempstead, Long Island.

Sarner is Jewish.

According to The Jewish World of Long Island, Sarner launched into an anti-semitic tirade after failing to convince his neighbor to drop charges against his wife and son, who had been charged with aggravated harassment, discrimination and trespass.

"Hitler should have killed all of you," he is reported to have shouted, while his wife — who is described as very anti-Jewish — shouted: "All Jewish people should be killed."

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Although the Soviet Union does not encourage the flowering of Jewish culture and has suppressed it brutally on occasion, the authorities in Moscow permit a Yiddish book here to be published and a Yiddish record there to be recorded.

The press and information department of the Soviet embassy in Ottawa apprised this writer of several developments in the past few months:

- David Dragunsky, a war hero who reached the rank of lieutenant-general in the armored corps, published his memoirs on World War II. His book is in Yiddish.

Dragunsky comes from a family of poor tailors. "Soviet power put an end to that kind of poverty and helplessness," he is quoted as having written.

Chairman of the Soviet Anti-Zionist Committee, Dragunsky observes: "The main purpose of my work is to reveal the international character of the Soviet peoples — and their striving to live in peace and friendship with other nations."

- According to the embassy, the printing of books in Yiddish is "quite customary" — 271 having been published since 1967, and 24 since 1980.
- Besides Dragunsky, the state has published writers like Samuil Gelman, Boris Mogliner and Aron Vergelis, the editor of a Yiddish magazine, Sovietisch Heimland. Translations of works by Jewish authors have been "brought out" in 3 million copies.
- Khabarovsk Publishers has put out an illustrated ABC book in Yiddish, which contains stories by luminaries like Peretz Markish (who was executed on Aug. 12, 1952 for committing the unpardonable sin of preaching Jewish nationalism) and Sholom Aleichem (whose talents would probably have been squelched had he lived under Stalinism).
- It is also reported that the USSR Writers' Union has authorized 2-year writing courses for Yiddish writers under the auspices of Sovietisch Heimland. Says Vergelis: "The mutual enrichment of multinational cultures in the Soviet Union has enabled Yiddish literature to attain new creative heights."

His assertion, to put it mildly, will be disputed by overseas experts in the field.

- Melodiya, the Soviet recording company, has begun a series of recordings of the Jewish Chamber Musical Theatre, in Birobidzhan, the Jewish Autonomous Region.

The first record is called Black Bridle for a White Mare, and the opera is set in a small, pre-revolutionary Jewish settlement. In the words of a press release: "The performers depict most vividly the world of people overridden by humiliating poverty, and still the opera is a hymn to life and love."

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The change in Sinai brings both praise and criticism

By
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SHARM EL SHEIKH, Egypt —

For a visitor returning to Sinai after a four-year hiatus, the atmosphere is distinctly different.

Seventeen months after Israel's final withdrawal, Egypt is gradually erasing the legacy of its 15-year occupation.

But, in traveling through it, a visitor recalls the time when the Israelis dominated Sinai — a remote, ruggedly beautiful peninsula of rocky plains, craggy mountains, spectacular canyons, Hollywood-like oases and lovely beaches.

He remembers the casually-attired Israelis driving down from Eilat for a weekend, the blond Scandinavian tourists camping out or sunning themselves in the nude, the Bedouins and their camels posing for photographs, the lumbering Israeli military convoys coughing up a steep road.

He also remembers the resorts developed out of thin air by Israel . . . magnificent places like Nuweiba, Dahab and Ophira (Hebrew for Sharm El Sheikh), where a sojourner could contemplate his navel and forget that Sinai was once a staging base for Arab attacks against Israel.

There was something special about the Sinai. Maybe it was the splendid isolation and the wide, open spaces. Maybe it was Sinai's sheer unspoiled quality. Maybe it was the immediate recollection of watching a sunrise on Mt. Sinai, stumbling upon running water in a harsh wilderness where shadows loom long and strong, or wallowing in the clear, warm waters of the Red Sea, swarming with an incredible variety of fish life.

With sweet memories such as these, I returned to the Sinai, flying from Cairo to Sharm El Sheikh on an Air Sinai Fokker.

From the vantage point of 15,000 feet, over the Gulf of Suez, Sinai is hazy and mountainous and tawny, an impenetrable, seemingly uninhabitable redoubt of roaming Bedouins, graceful ibexes and deathly-still lizards.

On the ground, Sinai seems timeless. But this is a mirage — an illusion.

Things have changed.

Arabic, not Hebrew, is the common language now, although English is widely spoken. And the deep-tanned Middle Eastern faces you encounter now are Egyptian, not Israeli.

By bus from the Israeli-built airport, it is a 10-minute ride to Naama Bay, with its Marina Sharem Hotel. The Hebrew lettering on the green road signs has been scratched out, but the Egyptians have left the English names and added Arabic script at the bottom.

Strangely enough, they haven't erased the Hebrew name Israel substituted for Sharm El Sheikh — Ophira.

At the Marina Sharem Hotel, an Israeli project, a sign reads: "Welcome to a world of hospitality." In the dining room, hung with Egyptian tourist posters, little has changed, although the service is better than before, as is the food.

On the beach, Egyptian men frolic and children splash in the bay. Out of modesty, Egyptian women, rather dowdy in their voluminous dresses, wade up to their knees in the water. From a kiosk, wailing Arab music fills the air.

Several hundred metres away, Erel Daniel, 23, and his buxom bikini-clad wife cook an improvised fish meal over a fire. Standing next to them is Sheriff El Batouty.

Daniel is an Israeli, and Batouty an Egyptian.

"Sharm is quieter and nicer with less tourists," says Daniel, who lives in Tel Aviv and comes here as often as his business will allow. Israelis like him have no trouble going to Sinai, crossing from the Taba border check point.

A 21-year-old Cairo geology student, Batouty feels completely at ease with the Israelis. Batouty, whose father was a general in the Six Day War, remarks, "We Egyptians were made to live life, not to die. Never again will Egypt go to war against Israel."

This is his second time here and he loves it.

The divers who work the coral reefs — reportedly the world's best — know Sharm El Sheikh intimately.

Bob, a Briton who has been here for four years, says Israeli and Egyptian tourists "get on pretty well."

And while he is pleased that the cost of living has gone down under Egyptian rule, he can barely tolerate the bureaucracy the Egyptians brought with them.

"To do anything, you have to fill out a mountain of paper work. Things move so slowly."

Israelis, left, join Egyptians at Sharm El Sheikh. [Sheldon Kirshner photo]

The Egyptians, he laments, don't show the flair for tourism the Israelis invariably displayed.

Yet, he concedes, tourists are coming: northern Europeans for the diving, and Egyptians for the sun bathing.

Seth Sovak, an American diver, agrees with Bob, who prefers to remain anonymous. But he claims that Egyptians don't run Sharm El Sheikh as efficiently as did the Israelis. And he charges that the facilities they inherited are deteriorating.

Mohammed El Hadidi, the operations manager of South Sinai Tours, tells me that Egypt is doing its utmost to maintain order but that it has no plans as yet to expand Sharm El Sheikh.

Sharm, he says, has three hotels — the Marina Sharem, the Aqua Marina and the Clifftop — and one youth hostel. Israel built them all.

According to Hadidi, Sharm is in dire need of a supermarket to cater to the backpackers who are drawn to the Sinai. When Israel administered Sharm there was a supermarket, but today it is used by the United Nations, which has a base between Naama Bay and Sharm.

Egyptian administrators occupy the cluster of stucco buildings put up by the Israelis in Sharm El Sheikh in the early 1970s, and the old Egged bus company garage, with its painted Hebrew letters, is still here.

Like Israel, Egypt views the Sinai as a great tourist draw. Mohammed Hadidi says that his firm offers several tours of the interior and will lay on additional ones if there is a demand.

Interestingly enough, most of his customers register for the tours — ranging in price from $40 for a one night tour to $900 for a 12-day trip — in Eilat.

"Egyptians just don't appreciate the Sinai as much as Israelis and Europeans," he acknowledges.

Nuweiba and Dahab, both located along Sinai's eastern Red Sea coast, are cases in point.

These Israeli-conceived resorts appear practically deserted, although one wonders why. Under Israel's administration, they attracted thousands upon thousands of middle-class Israelis and their children, and European hippies and sun worshippers.

On Jewish holidays like Rosh Hashanah and Passover, Dahab and Nuweiba did a roaring trade.

The Israelis adopted a laissez-faire attitude toward the visitors. As long as they weren't rowdy, they could deport themselves in the nude, camp out on the beaches, smoke their pot and fraternize with the native Bedouins who sold them trinkets, blankets and camel rides.

By contrast, the Egyptians seem less flexible.

Nudity is very much discouraged. In Nuweiba, a sign reads: "In respect to our culture, please avoid nudity."

Camping is forbidden in many places, and the smoking of hashish is frowned upon. Moreover, Bedouins are deterred from associating with tourists. On a lonely stretch of beach in Nuweiba, close by a Bedouin encampment under a clump of palm trees, two men leading camels approached.

Speaking in Hebrew, our common language, I asked them whether business was good these days. Shaking their heads, they said: "Zeh loh tov."

The situation may be disastrous for the Bedouins, whom many Egyptians view with contempt or condescension, but Egyptian officials are optimistic about the future.

Mohammed Anas, the assistant manager of the Nuweiba Holiday Village, sat behind his desk, an Israeli ledger on his credenza, and a framed photo of Jerusalem's Western Wall on the plywood wall.

"Seventy-five percent of our clients are Egyptians. Twenty-five percent are foreigners. There are many guests from Israel, especially during their High Holidays.

"We have no reason to believe we cannot develop tourism," he adds.

Certainly, the Egyptians are doing a fine enough job in preserving Nuweiba and Dahab.

The manicured lawns, the exquisite flower beds and the graceful date palms planted by Israeli settlers in Nuweiba have not been neglected by any means. And the modest cottages, though lacking in a few amenities, are being maintained.

Indeed, the Egyptians are holding the line in Nuweiba, not having built anything new except a small mosque since Israel's departure in April of 1982. An unfinished Israeli movie theatre stands on the beach without a roof, and Anas has no idea whatsoever when, or if, it will be completed.

Over at Dahab, whose crystal clear waters have enticed countless tourists, the Egyptians have been content with the status quo, too.

The resort, as planned and constructed by Israel, remains as it was prior to 1982, but with one crucial difference: Dahab has the air of a ghost town, although the manager assured me that there are plenty of visitors.

On my most recent visit, Dahab's beach was totally devoid of swimmers, while its restaurant was curiously empty, the waiters waiting around for a burst of activity.

In 1979, when I first visited Dahab, the beach was packed. And the restaurant couldn't keep up with demand.

Despite gloomy appearances, it might be unfair to conclude that Dahab and Nuweiba are doomed. Back in Cairo, a couple of days later, I had occasion to talk with Ali Abu-Zeid, the director of the State Organization for Sinai.

Abu-Zeid, who is responsible for developing Sinai, admitted that tourism is down in Dahab, Nuweiba and Sharm El Sheikh. Ascribing the decrease to the worldwide recession, he said Egypt would follow developments and adjust its priorities accordingly.

For now, he explained, Egypt has no reason to expand the resorts on the Red Sea. But if the economic outlook in the West improves, Egypt might well do so.

In the next 17 years, Egypt intends to pour something like $120 million into Sinai tourism, with attention being focused on the Mediterranean coast. Abu-Zeid said that Egypt will rebuild Yamit, reduced to rubble by the Israeli army, and call it Fayrouz.

Egypt, he went on to say, will invest $200 million in the agricultural sector, primarily in northeastern Sinai, scene of bitter fighting in the Yom Kippur War.

Abu-Zeid revealed that wells are being dug and that pipelines have been laid on the bed of the Suez Canal to bring water from the Nile River.

The Egyptians plan to exploit their coal and manganese mines, which Israel did not bother much with, and they will continue to drill for more oil, particularly in the Gulf of Suez. "Sinai can produce about two million barrels per day," Abu-Zeid said.

Much of Egypt's oil is bought by Israel.

According to Abu-Zeid, the fisheries will be developed so that production can be tripled. Output from Lake Bardawil, east of Port Said, has risen dramatically since Egypt recovered it from Israel, he stated.

Private investors from abroad will be encouraged to invest in Sinai's development, and Israelis are welcome to join in, he said. He doesn't expect much Arab capital. "Our relations with the Arabs are not ideal."

By the year 2,000, Abu-Zeid hopes, Sinai's population will increase to one million from the present 200,000, thereby relieving the terrible congestion in Egyptian cities on the western bank.

Egypt, he said, sees the Sinai as a place of promise for future generations. Indeed, President Hosni Mubarak has talked in terms of creating a "green revolution" in the peninsula.

No one knows for sure whether this is possible, given Sinai's topography and Egypt's scarce financial resources. But this much seems certain: no longer will the Sinai be used by Egypt for aggressive purposes against Israel.

Arabs like new area too

By
CARL ALPERT

HAIFA —

The town of Nazareth Illit (Upper Nazareth) was established in 1957 as a Jewish township alongside the historic old Arab city from which it took its name. Fifteen years later the twin cities were described as a case study in co-existence. "Affluence, friendliness, economic interdependence, peace and mutually beneficial co-existence — a model of living together," one observer noted.

Old Nazareth has a population of about 40,000, almost equally divided between Christians and Moslems. Nazareth Illit has about 25,000 inhabitants.

There can be little doubt that long term security considerations had an influence on the location of the new town. Arab Nazareth had a reputation as a hotbed of nationalist activity, and Communism was very strong there.

The first residents of Nazareth Illit were veteran Israelis from other parts of the country, but once the foundations were established, thousands of new immigrants were directed there. Emphasis was put on community planning, comfortable homes, and social and educational institutions. Much was written about the advantages of living in the new city, located 1,500 feet above sea level.

Relations between the twin cities have indeed been good. The Jews from up on the hill do much of their shopping in the old city, while much of the labor force engaged in construction, etc. up there comes from below.

No one recalls exactly which was the first Arab family to move in — apparently a policeman, or some other government employee, who had housing rights. There were no problems. Other Arab families followed. At first they lived in one section only, but gradually moved into other neighborhoods as well. It is estimated that today there are about 600 Arab families in Nazareth Illit, from 8 to 10% of the population.

There have been objections and protests from some of the local Jews. They have nothing against the Arabs, they say, especially since those who come to Nazareth Illit are for the most part professionals, well educated, or prosperous. But the local residents want this to be a Jewish neighborhood. "Our children will grow up together, and this will lead to intermarriage. It is not for this that we came to Israel," they say.

Others are more brutally frank: "How do I know they won't leave a bomb somewhere?"

Some objectors have circulated petitions to prevent the sale of homes to the Arabs. Unfriendly placards have been displayed. Some families simply move away, and their apartments are bought by Arabs in a process of community ethnic metamorphosis which is very familiar in almost every large North American city.

All the Arabs send their children to Moslem or Christian schools down below in the valley, but after school the youngsters play together with their neighbors on the hill. Not all the Jews are unfriendly.

The Arabs are willing (and able) to pay any price demanded for flats or villas, and it appears that their number in Nazareth Illit will continue to grow.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English, brief [no more than 250 words], typewritten [double spaced, please], free of libel, and of interest to our reading public. We reserve the right to edit letters.

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PEACE NOWERS NOT PROPHETS

Re Harry Steiner's Sept. 29 letter headed "Peace Now Merits Forum":

It is sad that the writer had to resign his membership of 25 years with the Beth Tzedec Congregation. But what is more regrettable is that he relaxed his ties of over 2,000 years with his Jewish past and its exponents.

To compare the prophets of Israel with the Peace Now members is, to say the least, tasteless.

Our prophets preached and protected — sometimes at the risk of their lives — the integrity and purity of the Jewish religion from the impact of alien ideas being imposed by the rulers of the land.

See Isaiah: "Wash, cleanse yourselves, remove the dross from the silver."

The issue is not whether they are right or wrong. In critical circumstances, there is no room for legalistic disputes; you jump first and you argue later.

This is a critical moment for Israel. If we are united, we are secure; we shall have peace. As President Chaim Herzog puts it, "The real enemy we face is within us."

E. Carlebach
Ste. Agathe Des Monts

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PEACE NOWERS NO DEMANDERS

I'd like to add a slight correction and an opinion to J. B. Salsberg's wise Sept. 29 commentary on freedom of expression.

There are no Peace Now chapters, as such, in Toronto or elsewhere in Canada. What Salsberg refers to is, rather, Friends of Peace Now. These are groups which support Peace Now, but do not formulate policy for the Israeli movement itself.

They do not issue "demands" on anyone — this is a misunderstanding in Salsberg's article.

In fact, Friends of Peace Now exists with the approval of Peace Now in Israel. I surmise that, for the many Israelis who support Peace Now, there is no contradiction between being a Jew outside Israel and supporting their movement.

In my opinion, then, the ethical dilemma pointed to by J. B. does not in reality exist. But perhaps he would like to elaborate.

Shloime Perel
Montreal

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PEACE NOW UNFAIRLY TREATED

A longtime reader of your paper and one (of the many?) who frequently disagree with your policy of selectively "representing" the Jewish community and its attitudes, I had a small satisfaction in reading your issue of Sept. 29.

In this issue, I find reports that Beth Tzedec Synagogue, in difference to all the best Jewish traditions, has refused to allow a Peace Now presentation to use its sacred halls.

The satisfaction which reading the news gives me is bittersweet. I don't find this item surprising nor shocking. The shock has passed long ago.

During the past 15 months, several representatives of Peace Now have spoken to our community. On at least two occasions, Jewish hoodlums (I don't want to call them stormtroopers) have invaded the meeting places, threatened the attendees (on one occasion, riot police had to be called out) and with their chanting of "Begin! Begin!" they attempted to drown out the speaker.

Yet you, spokesmen of the community, did not condemn this outrageous unJewish behavior.

In your silence, you have condoned this act of attempting to stamp out free speech and free exchange of ideas. The sad conclusion of your silence is the miserable act of Beth Tzedec.

Andrew Salamon
Toronto

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CLAIM POLES AIDED NAZIS

Re your Oct. 6 letter headed "Claims Poles Not Anti-semitic":

When I read this man's letter, I was stunned.

My parents, grandfather, aunts and uncles were all born in Poland. Their ancestors had lived in Poland since the 11th century.

The humane treatment they received from the Poles, via pogroms and looting, made them decide to leave their wonderful homeland, and they headed for Germany, presumably preferred by them.

My husband was one of the few survivors of the Warsaw Ghetto. When the Jews appealed to the Poles for help against the Germans, very little was given.

My husband told me, that if the Germans couldn't see the fear in the eyes of Jews, the Poles obliged them, and speeded up their work.

Maybe some Poles did indeed help Jews, but Jewish history has a very black mark against the Polish inhabitants.

Please convince me, as I recite my prayers for the 6,000,000 that were killed in the Holocaust and for the 5,000 Christians also slaughtered without rhyme or reason!

The Nazis didn't do it all by themselves. I know; I was born in Nazi Germany.

Paula Feigelsohn
Toronto

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RAPS EDITORIAL LAUDS RABBI

Re your editorial on Rabbi Shlomo Riskin of Oct. 6 headed "Unfair Words":

Who is more qualified to speak about the quality of Jewish life in North America than Rabbi Shlomo Riskin?

As you stated in your editorial, he built up a community for 20 years, he is an important Orthodox rabbi and a graduate of Yeshiva University. You admit that he is an authority on Jewish life in North America.

It is precisely Rabbi Riskin's experience in the Diaspora which has led him to state that "Jewish life in the Diaspora of the United States was doomed and that American Jews were headed for extinction unless they emigrated en masse to Israel."

As the rav is a talmid chacham and a Jewish leader, he has the responsibility to warn the Jewish community of the impending danger of its extinction. Rav Shlomo Riskin should be commended for his statement, which shows courage and leadership.

Aharon Korzen
Montreal

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LET ACTRESS STICK TO STAGE

After reading Frank Rasky's Sept. 7 article on actress Marilyn Lightstone, I would suggest that, in the future, questions and quotations be limited to the area of expertise of the person being interviewed and to the topic of the article.

The anti-religious material made me wonder if I was indeed reading The CJN.

Although Ms. Lightstone might have an impressive portfolio of acting credits, to quote her on the subject of Orthodox Judaism is ridiculous when, by her own admission, her background was not "devout" and the extent of her Jewishness is her "mother's knedelach and chicken soup recipe."

Her opinions are based solely on "bitterness" and colored by her feministic viewpoint.

If Ms. Lightstone is interested in broadening her limited knowledge on a Jewish woman's potential, I know that, as a feminist, she would find the book, Jewish Women & Jewish Law, by Meiselman, very enlightening.

Marla A. Figdor
Toronto

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WHY WAS NUN A SPOKESMAN?

I assume pressure of deadlines and shortage of space precluded the correct facts being published regarding my appearance as a speaker at the Toronto rally for Soviet Jews held at Nathan Phillips Square on Oct. 2.

Several weeks ago, I was invited by the sponsors of the rally to speak and I duly accepted the invitation. Subsequent publicity issued by the sponsors, including your own columns by Miriam Herman, publicized my invitation and appearance.

On Wednesday before the rally, less than 24 working hours before it was due to take place [Yom Tov intervening], I received a telephone call from the sponsors, withdrawing the invitation for me to speak on the grounds that I had insufficient experience on the problems of Soviet Jewry and that there was concern that I would stray from the subject in my address to the rally.

Why it should take several weeks between the invitation being made to discover these problems, I will leave to your readers' own imagination.

Given the excuses, which were obviously not relevant, I must confess surprise and astonishment that a Catholic nun was the best that Toronto Jewry could do for their desperate brethren in the Soviet Union.

Shifra Hoffman
Rego Park, NY

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KNOCKS EDITORIAL FOR OMISSION

Your Sept. 29 editorial, headed "An Era Ends," praised the late Nikolaus Pevsner, noted architectural scholar, but omitted one rather relevant fact.

You should have mentioned that Prof. Peusrev was a convert to Christianity. True, he was a Jew racially by Hitler's standards, but that's not an evaluation we have adopted.

G. K. Berenson
Toronto

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SHE PRAISES HEALTH ARTICLE

I am writing to thank you for running the story on familial dysautonomia, Optimistic Mom Helps Son Survive, on Sept. 22.

I was particularly pleased with the sensitive and humane way in which Frank Rasky reported this story.

Not only is it important for young Jewish families to be aware of familial dysautonomia, but I feel it is important for the Jewish community to read about the dedication to a cause of one of its members.

I look forward to a continuing dialogue on topics of community concern.

Eileen Deutsch
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Faculty of Medicine
University of Toronto

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HOW TO COPE WITH BLUE LAWS

It is very nice, according to your reports, that Sunnybrook Foods and Paul Magder Furs want to "stand up for the Jewish community" and fight the Sunday-closing blue laws of Toronto.

I suggest this simple solution: They should remain open on Sunday but close on Saturday. They would then not be flouting the government laws (which allow for Saturday closing and Sunday opening). More important, they would also not be flouting God's Torah laws.

Dr. Ernest Greenwald
Toronto

Woman faces jail term for disrupting services

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Criminal charges were lodged here recently against a 57-year-old Brooklyn woman for interrupting religious services and harassing congregants during Rosh Hashanah services at an Orthodox synagogue. If convicted, she could be sentenced to a year in prison.

Brooklyn District Attorney Elizabeth Holtzman announced that according to the complaint, Marie Iannelli was charged on Sept. 30 with disruption or disturbance of a religious service, discrimination and criminal trespass. Iannelli approached the synagogue, Congregation Chevra Shaff, and yelled abusive epithets at the congregants, the complaint said.

"Crimes which are motivated by religious bias must not be tolerated in our multi-ethnic society," Holtzman declared. "People who commit such crimes in Brooklyn will be prosecuted and punished."

Holtzman said that Iannelli's actions were in violation of the New York State civil rights laws and the disruption or disturbance of religious services are misdemeanors punishable by up to a year in jail.

A court appearance for Iannelli has been set for Oct. 28.

Daily chapters

The daily chapters in the international 3-year Bible reading cycle of the World Jewish Bible Society and the Jewish Agency are, for this week:

For Thursday, Oct. 20, Jeremiah 18; Friday, Genesis 18:1-22:24 (Vayera); Shabbat, II Kings 4:1-37 (haftorah); Sunday, Jeremiah 19; Monday, Jeremiah 20; Tuesday, Jeremiah 21; Wednesday, Jeremiah 22.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

On Oct. 22, 1940, more than 15,000 Jews were deported from the Rhineland to concentration camps in the Pyrenees. It was a decisive step in the dissolution of Germany's loyal and well established community.

Anti-semitism burgeoned in Germany following World War I. Powerful industrialists, conservative clerics, ultra-nationalists, monarchists, anti-democrats, extreme socialists, the military caste and the increasingly ravaged middle and working classes found common ground in blaming the Jews for their country's disintegration.

From 1917-20, over 80,000 East European Jews entered Germany fleeing Ukrainian pogroms. Their foreign appearance and manners embarrassed German Jews striving to minimize the differences between themselves and their Gentile neighbours.

The widespread circulation of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, physical assaults on Jewish students, rising hooliganism and other increasing anti-Jewish manifestations were blamed by a significant segment of the community on the refugees. "Die Ostjuden sind unser ungluck," was a frequent German-Jewish exclamation: "The Jews of Eastern Europe are our misfortune."

Germany's first Jewish foreign minister, Walter Rathenau, described the refugees as "the Oriental horde encamped on the Brandenburg sands." His assassination by Nazi thugs in 1922 was seen as an isolated act of national frustration.

Germany's Jews felt secure in their own extensive contributions to society. In WWI, about 100,000 Jews — one out of every six — served, with nearly 12,000 killed in battle and 35,000 decorated for bravery.

Jews had provided the funds for Bismarck's war with France in 1870, developed Germany's maritime trade, established its dye, chemical and pharmaceutical industries, advanced its physics and mathematics, founded its electrical and telephone industries, built its first department stores, and expanded its film and entertainment industries. A disproportionate number of Germany's Nobel Prize winners were Jews.

Mounting restrictions

Hitler came to power in early 1933. Soon Germany's Jews were dismissed from all public posts, schools, utilities, the railroads, hospitals and bar associations. Jewish businesses were broken by mounting restrictions.

On Sept. 15, 1933, the Nuremberg Laws removed Germany's Jews from the protection of the legal system and declared them racially inferior. In the process of "Aryanization," property was confiscated with their owners having no legal recourse, and jobs were taken away. Passports carrying a "J" bore numerous restrictions. Intermarriage and flying the German flag were forbidden. By the end of that year, thousands of Jews fled the country.

On Oct. 28, 1938, over 17,000 of the East European Jews were brutally expelled to Poland. Two weeks later, Kristallnacht ravaged the community: 191 synagogues were destroyed and 7,500 Jewish shops looted. The community itself was fined for the damages, a staggering 1 billion marks ($400 million), and thousands of Jews were arrested. More than 250,000 Jews fled over the next 10 months, half of Germany's total.

In early 1939, Germany's banking head, Hjalmar Schacht, went to London demanding 1½ billion marks for the release of 150,000 Jews over a 3-year period. The ransom remained under consideration by Jewish leaders until World War II broke out with Hitler's invasion of Poland on Sept. 1.

On June 22, 1940, France capitulated to Germany. Exactly four months later, the deportations to the camps — originally built for refugees fleeing Spain after Franco's victory in 1936 — began. Among the deportees were 7,200 German Jews from the Palatinate and Baden, home of some of the most staunchly patriotic Jews — 2,000 were taken from the city of Mannheim alone, from where in WW I, 126 Jews had died fighting for Germany. The other half of the transports included thousands of the former East European refugees. Over the following two years, about 2,000 died.

In the summer of 1942, most of the surviving inmates of Gurs and the other Pyrenees camps were redirected to death camps in Poland.

AJC seeks high court intervention to determine Arab holdings in U.S.

NEW YORK — The American Jewish Congress has asked the Supreme Court to intervene in its 2-year battle to compel the treasury department to reveal the extent of Arab dollar holdings in the United States.

The Jewish organization has filed a petition with the high court asking it to review lower court rulings that have held the government has a right to bar disclosure of American holdings of individual Arab states.

The government says it is justified in withholding the data on the grounds that disclosure would harm national security, although the International Investment Survey Act of 1976 requires the treasury to collect and publish data about foreign investment in the United States. AJCongress says the national security issue is "merely a pretext for hiding the extent of Arab financial power and influence in this country."

The decision to petition the Supreme Court to hear the case was announced by Joel Levy, a prominent Washington attorney and vice-president of AJCongress, who argued the case in the lower courts. The suit against the treasury department was brought by the Jewish organization in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia after the administration rejected a request for data on Arab dollar holdings submitted by AJCongress under the Freedom of Information Act.

In a 1982 decision, Washington federal district Judge Barrington D. Parker ruled that treasury was not required to divulge the information. He agreed, however, that AJCongress was probably correct in charging that the OPEC countries were being given "special preferential treatment."

He also appeared to agree with the AJCongress contention that national security was not involved, contrary to the treasury department claim. But he held, nevertheless, that because the constitution gives a "special role" to the executive branch on matters concerning "foreign intelligence," treasury's refusal to release the requested data should not be questioned by the court.

AJCongress brought the case to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit which upheld the ruling of the district court.

The Jewish organization contends Judge Paraker's reading of the International Investment Survey Act was wrong, as was the decision of the appeals tribunal upholding the district court ruling.

AJCongress has claimed from the onset of its suit that a principal reason for the government's refusal to divulge the holdings of individual states was a 1974 "private" commitment made to Arab governments by then secretary of the treasury William Simon that treasury would protect the Arab countries from public knowledge of the extent of Arab dollar holdings in the U.S.

The purpose of the arrangement, according to AJCongress, was to induce the Arabs to purchase U.S. treasury securities with oil profits, free from public scrutiny.

If the Supreme Court agrees to hear the case, a brief will be prepared and submitted by Levy, and Marc D. Stern, a member of the AJCongress legal staff and assistant director of its Commission on Law and Social Action.

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Day of reckoning arrives with a bang

The problems of Israel still boil down to politics

By
J. B. SALSBERG

My good uncle Eliezer, who justifiably boasts that he keeps his finger on the pulse of Toronto Jewry, asked for help in dispelling the gloom that the latest news despatches from Israel have caused. "It's bad," he said in a voice of despair. **"You must do something to re-instill confidence and hope in the tents of Canadian Jewry."**

J. B. Salsberg

In a tone of appropriate modesty I questioned my capabilities to sway our brethren but, to help raise the spirits of my uncle, I consented to make an effort to rekindle hope in all our hearts and minds. After this we both sat down to a round of tea and lemon, served, of course, in glasses from our steaming samovar and we talked about the latest developments in the Jewish state far into the night.

The essence of our talk fest can, of course, be presented here only in capsule form, in view of the ever-menacing threat of the editor's scissors. What follows is, therefore, a condensation of our talk.

Fortunately or otherwise we are a people that always nurtured extremist views and opinions. Our ancient sages who praised us as a "treasured folk" also referred to us a "hard-necked people." We were complimented as being a chosen people but we were also chastised as being full of sin.

In my view we were, of course, neither one nor the other at any one time. We were both and, I suspect, that we still are a mixture of majestic greatness and abysmal weaknesses. From all of which we must learn to guard against exaggerations and hasty conclusions. For instance:

To some in our midst the Begin (and now Shamir) government was and remains the best of governments that Israel ever had. To others, the Begin-Shamir regime is a negative period in the life of the reborn state. When Begin submitted his resignation he was promptly crowned as the greatest Prime Minister Israel ever had. (Some even used the shorter form of "the greatest Jewish Prime Minister ever," and ever, as we know, is a very long time.)

The truth lies, of course, somewhere in between. The Labor-dominated coalition that governed Israel from its birth suffered many serious shortcomings and so do the Begin-Shamir regimes. (As for the designation of Israel's greatest Prime Minister, I make bold to suggest that Ben-Gurion still holds that honored laurel.)

With regards to the current fiscal and economic crisis in Israel it is, in my view, a political one rather than an intrinsic economic one.

Israel's agriculture remains as highly productive as ever it was. Its factories and laboratories are as modern and as efficient as they had been. Israel's place in the new, computerized era of production is in the forefront of the nations of the world.

The present calamitous financial disarray is, primarily, a result of the politically-motivated financing and taxing policies of the Begin government.

Israel is the last country that was or is suitable for the rightist monetarist experimentations. Citizens were bribed with lowered tariffs on luxury imports; the war devoured enormous sums; political concessions to far-out sectors created great losses in the area of civil aviation, in the rejection of daylight saving time, in the astonishing bargains offered to prospective home buyers in the West Bank areas, etc., etc., etc.

A stage was reached when imports exceeded, by far, exports and the national debt rose to over $21 billion and each Israeli man, woman and child has the highest individual debt in the world — over $5,000! The servicing (interest) of that mountainous debt has become most painful.

In short — the present politically-caused financial crisis was inevitable. It is just that the day of reckoning arrived and with a deafening bang. It creates hardships, of course, but Israel's economic infrastructure remains without serious damage and fully capable of renewed functioning.

The scare pictures brought to us by the media of forlorn Israeli women finding the Israeli supermarket shelves empty of merchandise does not reflect the total reality. The same shelves will, you may be sure, be re-stocked for the next day's business. So will the emptied gas pumps. Except that the prices are higher and that, in turn, will also create long-term political reactions and, hopefully, political solutions.

The Israeli finance minister's musings about pegging the Israeli shekel to the U.S. dollar might have resulted in a very serious step being taken by the government. But the idea was shot down quickly and Aridor had to resign because few Israelis want Israel to lose its independence and, as one woman said on TV: "We don't want to become another star on the U.S. flag."

So, it still boils down to politics — and I predict that a political solution will be found by the people of Israel.

Don't despair. Governments come and governments go but Israel will remain . . . and will be wiser for the recent experience.

Both Uncle Eliezer and I assure you that Israel will overcome its present crisis and will live and prosper to the end of time. Amen.

Protesters use press to gain publicity for views

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

Small but articulate groups in Israel continue to object to the campaign in Lebanon and to the continued presence there of Israeli soldiers.

Protest vigils have for months been held outside the home of the Prime Minister or at the Knesset, and occasional public demonstrations have been organized.

Since Jews have a highly developed conscience and moral sense, and are frequently found as leaders in liberal, leftist, and extremist groups, it is not surprising that we have the extremists here as well. Indeed, they are not new, and the previous Labor governments had their share of problems with them.

One of the first was 19-year-old Amnon Zichroni who in 1954 refused to serve in the army since he objected to the "very existence of the institution of armies in Israel and the world as a whole." He was sentenced to prison by a military court for insubordination, desertion and refusal to carry arms.

Even more notorious was the case of Uri Davis, not long thereafter. Davis, too, was a conscientious objector, and served time in a military jail. He went on to become a leading spokesman for Arab rights, and frequently tangled with the authorities when his activities led him into violations of law or security.

By 1970 his pacifist program included a call for sabotage of Israel's railways and military plants.

He left the country to take up an academic post in London, where he served as an active anti-Israeli agitator. In the spring of 1979, interviewed on radio, he stated that Israel had no right to exist and that its government was not "like" Nazism but actual Nazism. He foresaw, with evident pleasure, a prospective defeat of Israel on the battlefield.

Most of the present crop of objectors to the Peace for Galilee operation who refuse to do military service in Lebanon are undoubtedly sincere, but the situation was aggravated by the alacrity with which the political opposition to the Likud government seized upon the refusals and exploited them to whip up anti-government feelings. Communications media, unfriendly to the Likud government in any event, gave ample and encouraging publicity to every manifestation of the anti-war feelings.

Something like 100 Israeli civilians, called up for their military reserve duty, have refused to serve in Lebanon and have been sentenced to various short terms in prison.

One of them, Shuki Kook, writing to the press from jail, expressed his disappointment that there were not more. He called upon all who felt as he did to implement their views in their personal lives so that he would not get the feeling that his own sacrifice was a waste of time.

Small groups which called themselves "There's a Limit" or the "Committee Against the War in Lebanon," drawing members from the Peace Now movement, found frequent new publicity gimmicks to express their hostility to the Likud government, but few indeed felt strongly enough to do what Shuki Kook did — or Amnon Zichroni in his day.

Since Israel is a democratic state they are free to demonstrate, though any attempt to keep them within normal bounds of public order is at once met with howls that they are being denied freedom of speech. It was Mark Gefen, an accepted spokesman of left wing Zionism, when commenting on the Uri Davis situation, who said that those who cry for freedom of speech don't know what the word freedom means. There is no such thing as absolute freedom; there must always be some restrictions when the welfare of the whole is concerned. The alternative, he implied, is anarchy.

Of late a contrary movement has been formed, consisting of patriotic youth who volunteer, in the nation's interest, to serve in Lebanon if necessary in place of the objectors.

A recent issue of Yachad, journal of the kibbutz movement, quotes one Mike Jaffe, a 31-year-old kibbutz member who had been called up for his military reserve duty. "Refusal to serve as ordered undermines the army which assures our survival," he said. "If I refuse to serve in Lebanon, I abrogate my right to fight for my views in a democratic fashion because I have excluded myself from society."

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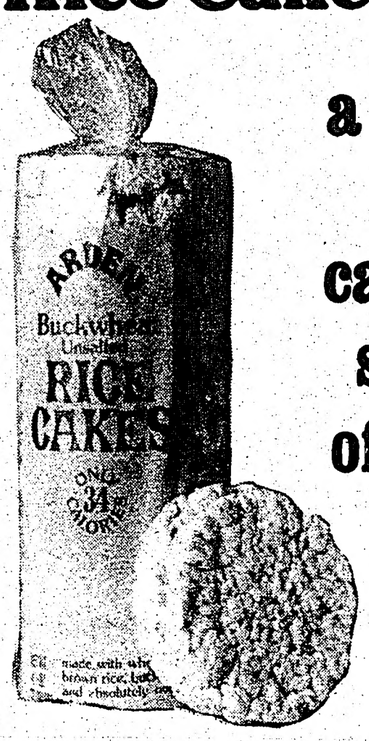

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Efficiency and pride turn El Al's image around

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

At one time, cynics claimed that El Al stood for Ever Late and gleefully told the apocryphal tale about the Israel airline plane returning to Tel Aviv because the stewardess had neglected to bring the horseradish for the gefilte fish.

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It's one of several reasons that El Al made such a good recovery last year and flew well over half of the 30,000 Canadians who visited Israel.

"And this year, after having had one of our best summer tourist seasons yet, we expect our Canadian traffic to show a marked increase," Telem was saying last week in an interview with The CJN.

A genial, red-haired industrial engineer of 41, Telem was preparing to participate at a reception on Oct. 25 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, where he will be welcomed as El Al's newly appointed district manager for Ontario and Western Canada.

He is taking over from Avraham Ornstein, who is concluding his 5-year tour of duty in Canada by studying organizational psychology at York University for a year, before returning to Israel.

Born in Nes Ziona, Israel and a former Israeli Air Force sergeant who served in the Six Day and Yom Kippur Wars, Telem is not altogether a stranger to the Canadian lifestyle.

His wife, Miriam Minuk, is a native of Winnipeg. Since their arrival here last month, their three children, Shiri, 13, Doron, 11, and Sharon, 6, have enrolled at the Bialik Hebrew Day School and the United Synagogue Day School.

"I'm extremely confident that we'll boost Canadian flights to Israel this year," says Telem.

One reason for his optimism is the winter home tours program which El Al has recently announced in its campaign to bolster Canadian tourism.

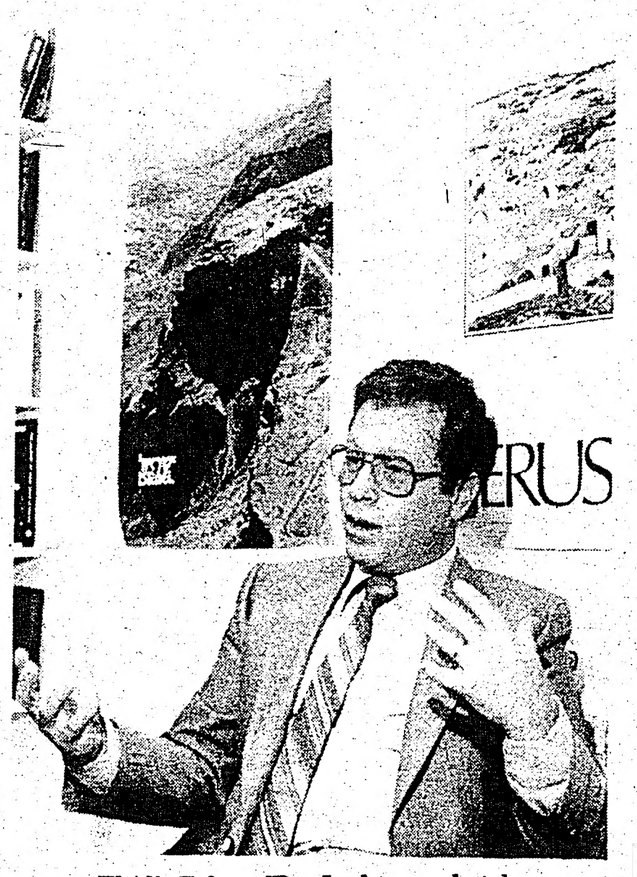
Canadians, after paying their $983 return fare from Montreal, are being offered a series of low-budget hotel packages for their winter stay in Israel.

The bargain rates, which run through to March 31, are based on double occupancy for a 6-night stay and include a typically generous Israeli breakfast.

Here are a few of them listed by Telem: $103 for six nights at a 3-star hotel in Netanya; $112 for a 3-star hotel in Tel Aviv; $123 for a 4-star hotel in Tel Aviv; $165 for a 5-star hotel in Herzlya; $254 for a 5-star hotel in Tel Aviv.

Telem also expects an increased number of Canadian flights to Israel based on several other factors. They include tourists suffering from skin diseases hoping to improve their condition at Israel's health spas on the Dead Sea; young Canadians celebrating their bar mitzvah atop of Mount Masada; and nature lovers exploring Israel's desert trails.

Telem is further convinced that flights to Israel will grow in popularity for another reason: "We offer so much more than an escape to a Caribbean island. In the West Indies, one beach looks like every other beach. In Israel, you get more than a series of sandy beaches. We offer as well 5,000 years of history on a variety of fascinating archeological sites."



El Al's Telem. [Ben Lechtman photo]

250 centres spring up through Project Renewal

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Project Renewal will be completed by the end of the decade, according to Leon Duzlin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives.

Dulzin told the WZO executive he expected that the work in 18 of the 200 target neighborhoods would be completed by the end of 1984.

He stressed that the Jewish Agency, which jointly with the government established Project Renewal in a partnership effort with North American Jewish communities to rehabilitate slum areas, must be in the forefront of efforts to find and create new sources of employment in the target neighborhoods. He spoke warmly of the recently-appointed Agency's director of renewal, Gideon Witkon. (Witkon is the son of the former Supreme Court Justice Alfred Witkon).

In his own detailed review of the state of Project Renewal to date, Witkon noted considerable successes in working with local people for the improvement of their own environments.

He said to date the Jewish Agency had spent $400 million on Project Renewal. Some 250 public buildings had been erected — community centres, child-care centres, clubs and sports centres.

Witkon emphasized that the major problem and challenge was in the area of economic development and job creation. "Social development and the evolution of social leadership and economic leadership will only lead to a denuding of the neighborhoods of their best population unless suitable employment opportunities are created," Witkon warned.

Jewish Agency treasurer Akiva Levinsky urged that the Agency begin to look ahead to the time when Project Renewal's work in the neighborhoods is completed and the project begins to end. "We must be sure that there is continuity and follow-through after we complete our programs," he said.

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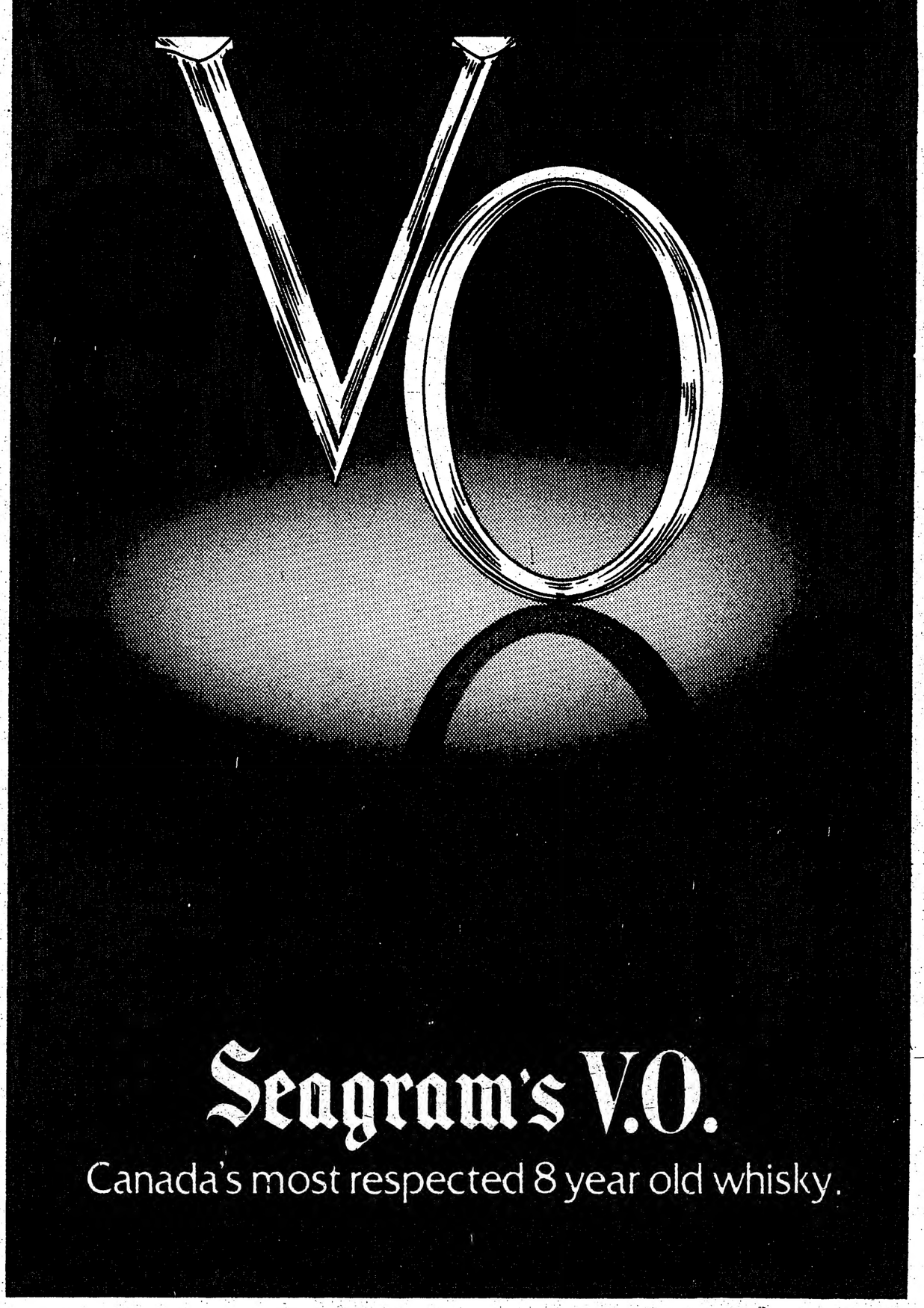

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Standard of living threatened

Shaky coalition faces crisis in troubled economy

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Ma'ariv, a Tel Aviv daily which was often sympathetic to the government in the past, commented on the austerity package: "Today is the day when the illusions of the Israeli economy are being shattered."

One more illusion was broken when Yoram Aridor, the third finance minister in six years, resigned after his plan to link the shekel to the U.S. dollar was roundly rejected.

Aridor, who had hoped to break the automatic linkage between workers' wages and inflation, proposed to replace the shekel with the dollar as legal tender.

Aridor's idea, which came to light in an exclusive newspaper story, might have chipped away at the inflation rate. But it would have contributed to higher unemployment and perhaps have undermined Israel's independence.

Shamir, mindful of the vulnerability of his creaky coalition, killed Aridor's "dollarization" scheme by announcing: "I heard the idea in the last few days, I never regarded it as a plan, just food for thought . . . There was no intention of adopting it. It was not realistic. It could not be implemented."

By Monday, Oct. 17, Shamir had replaced Aridor, who set off a wave of wild consumer spending in 1981 when he cut import taxes.

Yigal Cohen-Orgad, 46, was named the Likud's fourth finance minister since 1977. Cohen-Orgad, a businessman and Herut MK who sat on the Knesset's finance committee, and who holds an MA degree in economics, beat out the other leading candidate, Energy Minister Yitzhak Modai'i, for the post.

Shamir had reportedly offered it to Deputy Prime Minister David Levy, but he was not interested. There had been speculation that Ezer Weizman, the former defence minister who resigned in 1980, would get the nod.

The Labor Party, which earlier spurned a suggestion by Shamir to join a national unity government, is now expected to introduce a motion of non-confidence in the government. It will probably be tabled this week.

With his slim majority in the Knesset, Shamir should have no trouble defeating the motion. Shamir, who has promised to continue Begin's broad policies, has a majority because he accommodated himself to two minor parties.

To woo Tami, whose constituency is mostly North African Jews, he pledged to trim some taxes.

To mollify the ultra-religious Agudat Yisrael, he agreed to pass legislation this winter designed to satisfy the Orthodox, who comprises a minority of Israel's population.

According to reports, Shamir will back the Who is a Jew bill, specifying that conversions to Judaism must be done solely by Orthodox rabbis, and an archeology bill, which would restrict digs in areas where human remains are found.

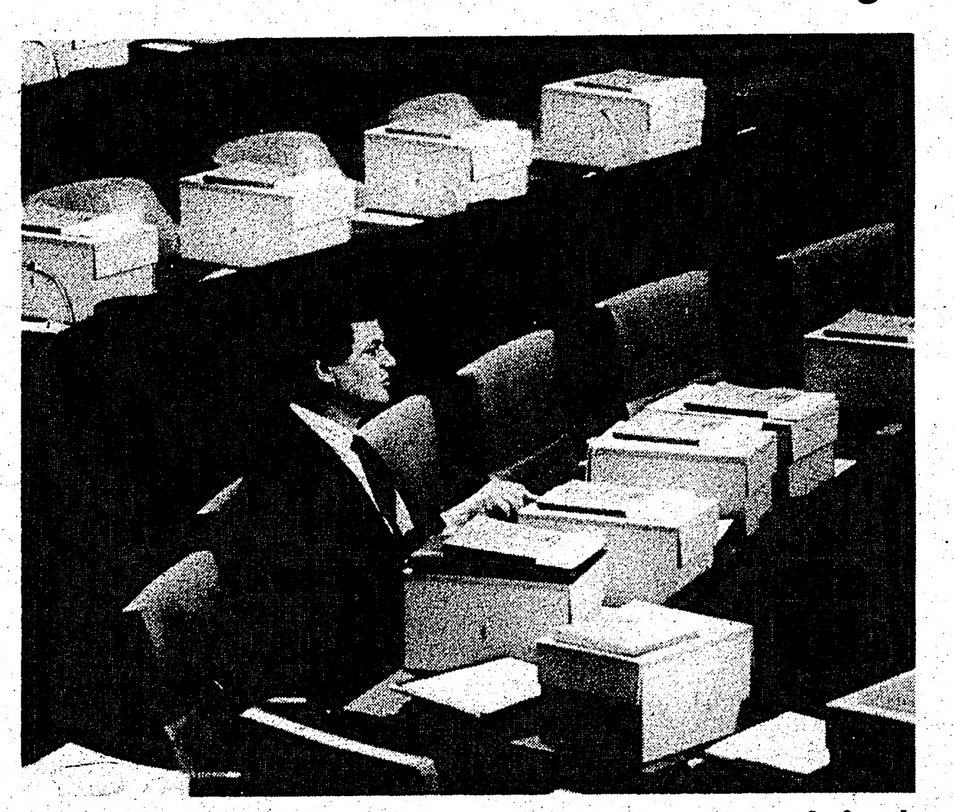
In addition, Shamir has reportedly promised more funds for Orthodox religious schools and has undertaken to try to relocate a planned swimming pool in Jerusalem which has offended elements in the religious community.

Having secured his flanks by enlisting the support of several of the marginal parties, Shamir appears able to stave off the chorus of criticism which his economic measures have triggered.

Last Sunday, within days of a scramble by Israelis to buy an estimated $1.2 billion worth of U.S. dollars, the Histadrut — the main labor federation — called a 2-hour "warning strike" against the government.

About one million workers in schools, industry, banks and offices left their jobs, protesting a proposal to reduce cost-of-living increases.

Histadrut claims that 70% of the Israeli work force took part in the protest, which was not intended to disrupt production. The objective was to serve notice on the government that labor would fight to block Shamir's efforts to lower the standard of living.



Yoram Aridor, Israel's third finance minister in six years, resigned after the cabinet rejected his plan to link the shekel to the U.S. dollar. [IPPA photo]

With the economy in a mess, relatively few Israelis were able to focus attention on another development: the introduction of an advanced Soviet surface-to-surface mobile missile system to Syria.

The SS-21, which could hit targets in Israel and Lebanon, has a range of some 75 miles. President Ronald Reagan reacted by "wondering out loud" whether Syria — which has approximately 40,000 troops in Lebanon — is interested in a regional peace settlement.

• In Lebanon, two more American marines were killed, the victims of sniper bullets. This brought to six the number of marines killed since last September.

• Four Israeli soldiers were wounded when a religious festival in the Lebanese town of Nabatiye grew riotous. The incident gave Israelis who want a pullout from Lebanon more ammunition for their argument.

CIC names chairman

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shifts in foreign policy over the years have been influenced by the fact that Canada has become an active trading partner with many Middle Eastern countries.

"Our hope is that Canadian policy will not merely be seen through economics," she added.

She believes however that this "lopsidedness" does not negate "the basic support and understanding that Canada shows for Israel."

The CIC, originally sponsored by B'nai B'rith, Canadian Jewish Congress and Canadian Zionist Federation, has been expanded to a board of 34 members representing the larger Jewish communities across Canada and including certain individuals co-opted for their expertise in community relations.

The CIC's mandate remains the same as when it was founded: "to speak and act on behalf of the organized Jewish community on all matters related to Canada-Israel public affairs." It works with government, media, business groups, labor and religious and service organizations, supplying information on the Middle East, both current and historical.

Gross plans to place a good deal of emphasis on educational programs for "the grassroots," that will allow Canadians, Jewish and non-Jewish, access to the facts on Israel. According to Gross, a survey, conducted by Martin Goldfarb earlier this year for the CIC on the Canadian public's attitude to the Arab-Israel conflict and Jews in Canada, revealed no disturbing surprise.

"All our work should be an attempt to explain the vulnerability of Israel in a perspective Canadians understand. The word 'security' means little in Canada where there are thousands of miles of undefended borders," said Gross. Little sense can be found talking about the Lebanon war, for example, when an audience does not even have at its disposal such basic facts as Israel's geography, population or strategic position, she said.

This is the lesson learned from the summer of 1982, when reportage by the media of the war, "with certain exceptions, was characterized by unfairness, omissions and distortions."

Despite differences which may have emerged within the Jewish community on Israeli government policies or the kind of society Israel should be since the Lebanon war, "Canadian Jewry remains united in its support of Israel," Gross said.

Ben Prossin, of Sackville, NS, succeeds Mrs. Gross as vice-chairman of the CIC.

Others on the board include: Harold Buchwald, Phil Givens, Myer Bick, Mirial Small, Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg, Milton Harris, Ed Waitzer, B. J. Finestone, Sam Filer, Don Jubas, Alan Borden, Harry Bick, Charles Goldlust, Joe Ain.

Also Phil Granovsky, Naomi Frankenberg, Charles Smith, Lois Sorokin, Lyle Smordin, Yitz Feldman, Charles Dalfen, Lloyd Newman, Rabbi Erwin Schild, Frank Dimant, Leon Kronitz, Alan Rose, Walter Hess, Aaron Pollock, Norman May, Rabbi Gunther Plaut.

Mark Resnick is the national executive director.

Arabs given orders

CANBERRA [JTA] —

Prime Minister Bob Hawke has given assurances that the Australian government would require clear commitments from the Arab League that any office it may be permitted to establish in Australia would not engage in any boycott activities against Israel or Australian citizens or firms trading with Israel.

Furthermore, Hawke said the activities of any such office would be carefully monitored and any breaches of this commitment would lead to the office's closure.

These assurances were given by Hawke to a delegation of Jewish communal leaders who met with him in Canberra. The delegation conveyed the community's profound concern at last week's Middle East policy statement by the government announcing it would consider allowing an Arab League office and permit unofficial contacts with the PLO at the ambassadorial level.

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The Fair will offer more than 15,000 books for sale, written in English, Yiddish, French, Hungarian and Russian.

Guest speaker opening night at 8.30 is Shlomo Avineri, former director-general of the Israel ministry of foreign affairs and author of The Making of Modern Zionism. He will speak on: Has Zionism a Future? Middle East Update.

Other scheduled speakers over the 7-day event include William Novak, author of The Great American Man Shortage and Other Roadblocks to Romance; Sol Littman, author of War Criminal on Trial; Adele Freedman, author of Gershon Iskowitz: Painter of Light; Susannah Heschel, who wrote On Being a Jewish Feminist: A Reader; and Dennis Prager, author of Why the Jews? The Reason for Anti-semitism.

Samuel Pisar, international attorney, Auschwitz survivor and author of the bestseller Of Blood and Hope, is the featured guest Saturday, Nov. 19, the last night of the Fair.

Ruth Gruber, author, foreign correspondent and authority on the Middle East, will also be on hand. In her latest book, Haven, she talks poignantly and unforgettably about postwar life and of the very few who survived.

Elaine Newton, an associate professor of humanities at York University, will review the life and writings of A. M. Klein, the "Abraham" of Canadian Jewish literature in a specially developed lecture for the Fair.

For those weight watchers, Janet Polivy and Peter Herman, authors of Breaking the Diet Habit, will be available to discuss the Dangers of Dieting.

Maria Jacobs, author of Precautions Against Death, will tell the story of her childhood in Nazi-occupied Holland when she and her mother concealed and saved the lives of 12 Jews.

Jacobs and her mother are currently in Israel to receive official recognition of their heroism.

Others at the Fair include Rose Murray, author of Rose Murray's Vegetable Cookbook, who will demonstrate The Vegetable Art; teacher and writer Gary Levine will speak on Defining Jewish Identity; journalist, radio and television personality Allan Gould will discuss Jewish Toronto.

Other speakers include Howard Aster, professor of political science at McMaster University, Martin Avery and his wife TV personality Bat Sheva, and author Marcia Basman.

Most morning and afternoon programs are free. Otherwise tickets are $4 opening night and the Nov. 19 programs are $6 each.

No sour grapes at fair

TORONTO —

What are the best Canadian wines? Which wines are the best buys if you have a champagne taste and a beer budget?

Tony Aspler, author of the new book Vintage Canada, will answer the first question, and Lucy Waverman, author of The Penny Pincher's Wine Guide, will answer the second at the 1983 International Food & Wine Fair.

They're two of the experts who'll be on hand at Toronto's annual culinary and wine-tasting extravaganza Oct. 21 to 23 at the Queen Elizabeth Building at Exhibition Place.

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

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Mother's Morning Out explores the pressures, joys and challenges of bringing up children in the 80s by discussing such issues as the myth of the perfect mother, opportunities outside the home, husbands and fathers, and Jewish parenting. First session is Thursday, Oct. 27, at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is necessary. Babysitting is provided.

Monthly early Shabbat evening family service is geared to families with children who are toddlers through to grade 2. Program includes short early service, traditional Shabbat dinner, songs, dancing and much more. Reserve the next date, Friday, Nov. 11.

All programs are open to the community and are coordinated by **Debbie Cowitz**, family programming resource specialist. For information and registration, call the synagogue office at 783-6103.

HADASSAH-WIZO BAZAAR

Wednesday, Oct. 26, is the date of the 59th annual Hadassah-WIZO Bazaar. It takes place at the Automotive Building, Exhibition Park from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. The $2 admission ticket is available at the door and is eligible for the grand door prize of groceries for one year to the value of $5,200.

This year's bazaar, with its 300 booths, offers something for everyone — clothing for the entire family, household furnishings, luggage, toys, books, fresh plants and even a kitchen sink!

Bargain hunters can stay all day to shop and eat at the various restaurants along the way. In addition there are the popular favorites — the all day auctions, raffles and bingo.

Proceeds will help support medical, educational and human care services for women and children in Israel.

HAMILTON JCC

Problems of the Contemporary Jewish Family will be the topic of the first cultural arts program of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre slated for Thursday, Oct. 27. Guest speaker will be **Dr. Miriam Spinner**, professor of psychiatry at McMaster University and St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton. The time is 8.30 p.m. at Adas Israel Synagogue, 125 Cline Ave. S.

CHAIM GRADE TRIBUTE

An evening of tribute to the late great Yiddish poet and novelist **Chaim Grade** will be held Sunday, Oct. 23, at 8.30 p.m. at Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Among the participants will be **Joseph Kligman**; Toronto Yiddish poet and personal friend of Chaim Grade **Peretz Miransky; Aaron Fainer; Cantor Louis Danto** and **S. Simchovitch.**

The event is being held under the auspices of the Yiddish Culture Council and several other Jewish organizations in Toronto.

BOWLTHON 83

Crusade Against Leukemia and Leukemia Research Fund have amalgamated and are now operating under the name of Leukemia Research Fund. The offices are located at 3101 Bathurst St., suite 304, and the telephone number is 783-5838.

The first fund raising project of 1983-84 is Bowlathon 83 slated for Sunday, Oct. 30 at Newtonbrook Bowlerama, 5837 Yonge St. League bowlers can participate in their own leagues Monday, Oct. 24, to Sunday, Oct. 30. Win a trip for two to Florida by participating.

Sponsor sheets are available from Newtonbrook Bowlerama or by calling 783-5838. All proceeds go to aid leukemia research.

LUNCHEON AND FASHION SHOW

Givatayim Chapter of Toronto Women's ORT is staging a luncheon and fashion show at the Sutton Place (Royal Ballroom) on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 12.30 p.m. Husbands and friends are welcome to enjoy a delicious luncheon and fashions by Bill Kee Haute Couturier with the new 1984 look.

For information, contact **Felice Gropper** at 223-9234 or **Ann Posen** at 782-8071.

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Applications are now being accepted for the sixth annual Winter Wonderland for girls and boys ages 6-13 and the special teen program for the 14-16-year-olds, running Dec. 21-28 at Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre. For information, call the Jewish Camp Council at 924-6211.

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

An educational display offering information on public and private education for children and adults, with a section for Jewish education, is on view at Galleria Mall (Dufferin and Dupont) Oct. 19, 20 and 21. Free educational consulting is available as well as back issues of educational magazines.

Display is sponsored by Tutor Group and D. Henrich Tutoring. For information, you can call 636-5202.

HAMILTON PIONEER WOMEN

A comprehensive program on Soviet Jewry has been prepared for the Hamilton Pioneer Women meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 8 p.m. at 108 Amelia St. in Hamilton.

Out of Bondage, a film narrated by **Theodore Bikel**, will be shown. Guest speaker will be **Sam Resnick**, director, Committee for Soviet Jewry of the Canadian Jewish Congress and Canadian Zionist Federation. He will bring an updated report and answer questions.

For information, call the hostess **Judi Caplan** at 526-1033 in Hamilton or the president **Trish Eppel** at 627-9182 in Dundas.

BOUTIQUE WEARHOUSE SALE

Council House will become a shopper's paradise on Sunday, Oct. 23, and Monday, Oct. 24, when members of the National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, set up the annual boutique wearhouse sale.

Eleanor Appleby

Gently worn and brand new quality clothing — men's, women's and children's — including furs, jewelry, gowns and new shoes will be sold at drastically reduced prices. Doors are open from 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, and remember . . . the early bird gets the best selection. Admission is free. Visa will be accepted.

Eleanor Appleby, a former president of Toronto Section is chairman of the project.

THORNHILL NCSY

On Sunday, Oct. 23, Thornhill NCSY (National Conference of Synagogue Youth) opens the season with the screening of the film Ghandi at 3.30 p.m. at Beth Avraham Yaakov Synagogue, 51 Bevshire Circle, Thornhill. The cost of $1.50 also includes refreshments. If you want more information, contact **Rhonda** at 731-0749.

MEN'S BB BOWLING LEAGUE

The men's B'nai B'rith bowling league (10-pin) bowls on Thursday evenings at 9.30 at Playtime Bowl, Dufferin and Lawrence. If you are interested, call **Bob Tessis** at 482-2420 (days) or 449-4493 (evenings).

TRIVIA NIGHT

Bat Zion Chapter of Mizrachi Women is holding its annual Trivia Night on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 7.30 p.m. at Earl Bales Park Community Centre (Sheppard and Bathurst). Admission is $12 per couple and includes prizes and refreshments. Proceeds will go to projects in Israel. For tickets, call 665-8408 or 225-8300 or 886-2508.

JEP-OHR SOMAYACH SHABBATON

Jewish Education Program (JEP)-Ohr Somayach annual fall Shabbaton takes place this weekend Oct. 21-22. This retreat features provocative workshops and among the lectures will be **Rabbi Moshe Chalkowski,** principal, Neve Yerushalayim College, Jerusalem.

There will be kosher catered meals and housing will be provided in the Bathurst-Lawrence area. The cost is $25. If you would like to attend, RSVP by calling 787-1681.

MEDICAL SYMPOSIUM

Diagnostic Imaging, an update for the family physician, is the topic of the sixth annual symposium sponsored by the Canadian Chapter, Israel Medical Association. It offers three hours of approved study credit. The date is Sunday, Oct. 23, at 9 a.m. in the Ben Sadowski Auditorium, Mount Sinai Hospital, 600 University Ave.

Registration is $20; for residents and interns $10, and for students no charge. Call the IMA at 781-9562.

BETH TORAH SHABBAT SERMON

At the Shabbat morning service at Beth Torah Congregation on Saturday, Oct. 22, **Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg** will deliver a sermon on the topic Modern Ishmaelites: What Does Islam Want? The service begins at 9 a.m. and the rabbi's sermon is at 11. The synagogue is located at 47 Glenbrooke Ave. (south of Lawrence, east of Dufferin). The public is invited.

DIGNITARIES

Pauline McGibbon, honorary patron of the New Baycrest Hospital fund raising campaign and Senator David Croll were among some of the dignitaries who were present at the recent Baycrest Centre Women's Auxiliary dinner in honor of Dora Till [left], BCWA's founding president and long-time Baycrest worker. The 375-guest affair took place at the Inn on the Park.

DONATION

A donation of $75,000 was recently made by Imasco Ltd. to the campaign for the New Baycrest Hospital. Presenting the check to Irving Frisch [second from right], chairman of tobacco and services division of the fund raising committee of the hospital, are left to right, Norman Latowsky, president, United Cigar Stores; Len Story, regional sales manager, Imperial Tobacco, and David Bloom, president and chief executive officer of Shoppers Drug Mart.

HILLEL STUDENTS — U OF T

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation-Jewish Students' Union at the University of Toronto announces that there is a coffee house with musical entertainment, on Sunday, Oct. 23 for students taking graduate studies. It is being held at the International Student Centre, at 8 p.m. 33 St. George St., Baldwin Room. Admission is $2 for JSU members and $3 for non-members.

Thursday, Oct. 27, is Israel Day at U of T. This is an all-day cultural celebration with exhibits in the Sidney Smith lobby, 100 St. George St., featuring fashion show, dancing, musical entertainment, displays, food, crafts, art, posture, slide shows and films.

Later that evening an Israeli cabaret will be set up in the Medical Sciences Building, 2nd floor Alumni Lounge.

For information about Hillel events, contact **Betty** at 923-9861.

A YARD SALE

Club Masada, Pioneer Women Na'amat is holding a yard sale on Sunday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 38 Clovercrest Rd. (one block north of Sheppard, east off Leslie). Proceeds will go for child care.

In case of rain, sale will take place the following Sunday, Oct. 30.

INSTITUTE OF JEWISH STUDIES

The fall Institute of Jewish Studies conducted by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation continues at Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 8 p.m. with How Do We Transmit Commitment? This series is open to the community. The synagogue is located at 3600 Bathurst St. The number is 787-1631.

BETH SHOLOM BROTHERHOOD

The Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tallis and Tefillin Breakfast Club meets on Sunday, Oct. 23, to hear guest speaker, former ombudsman and prominent lawyer **Arthur Maloney** discuss Problems in the Field of Criminal Law. Services are at 9.30 a.m., breakfast at 10 and the speaker at 10.30.

ABOUT ILEITIS AND COLITIS

The Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis invites you to attend Toronto Chapter's general meeting on Monday, Oct. 24, at 8 p.m. at Mount Sinai Hospital, 18th floor main auditorium. **Dr. R. Goodacre**, Intestinal Disease Research Unit, McMaster University Medical Centre, is guest speaker.

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NEW LOGO UNVEILED

The new logo for JVS [Jewish Vocational Service of Metro Toronto] was unveiled at JVS' annual meeting recently. From left to right are Hal Muller, JVS president Michael Steinberg, Grace Schelew and Walter Bick. Schelew, who was incorrectly identified in a CJN story on Oct. 6, was honored with Muller for having completed 25 years of service at JVS. Bick was elected an honorary director. A JVS project is the educational counseling centre and career counseling services offered to students in the Hebrew day schools of Toronto. Psychological and remedial services are also offered to the students and the program is funded by Toronto Jewish Congress. [Graphic Artists photo]

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AT ADATH ISRAEL

A reminder that the adult education series is in full swing on Monday evenings at Adath Israel Congregation. You have your choice of The Joy of Singing with **Cantor A. Ellezer Kirshblum** (8-9 p.m.), Readings from Genesis with **Sholom Eisenstat** (8-9 p.m.), Mishna with **Rabbi Irwin Schild** (9.15-10.15 p.m.) and Basic Judaism with with **Rabbi Barry Kenter** (9.15-10.15 p.m.).

Hebrew literacy program of basic Hebrew readings runs Monday 7-9 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8-10 p.m.

The Tuesday morning Sisterhood study session with Rabbi Kenter focuses on Biblical Women. It runs 9.30-11 a.m. New members are welcome. Registration is $7 for members and $10 for non-members. Babysitting is available from 2½ years and up. Call the co-chairmen **Rita Craig** at 783-2867 or **Sylvia Kay** at 221-1784.

For the 13-17 year-olds — the Mini Minyan meets Saturday, Oct. 22, in the Jack Hyde library, from 9.30-11 a.m. Meet your friends, join in a brief Shabbat service, enjoy informal Torah study, add to current events discussions.

For information, call the synagogue office at 635-5340.

HOLOCAUST DISCUSSION SERIES

Another 4-part series of discussion groups for children of survivors of the Holocaust begins Sunday, Nov. 6, from 8-10 p.m. The series will run for the four Sundays in November.

The purpose is to explore the impact of the Holocaust on the lives of the second generation. Sessions are conducted by **Doris Strub Epstein** and **Doris Blinick**, under the auspices of the Canadian Centre for Studies of the Holocaust and Genocide.

To register, call 224-5915.

A GREAT WEEKEND

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation's Great Weekend Oct. 29-30 features **Yaffa Eliach**, poet, playwright, scholar, director of the Centre for Holocaust Studies, Brooklyn. On Saturday afternoon at 2 she will discuss Chassidic Tales of the Holocaust: The Art of Jewish Survival. Saturday evening at 8.30, the major public lecture will deal with The Holocaust: Why Sophie's Choice? and on Sunday morning at 10, the Brotherhood lecture topic is The Jewish Woman: From Shtetl to Suburbia.

All lectures are free and open to the public.

JEWISH STUDENT FEDERATION

The Jewish Student Federation at York University has interesting programs planned for this week.

On Saturday, Oct. 22, there is the fall dance. The fun starts at 8 p.m. in the Vanier Dining Hall at York.

JSF's Almost Free University begins this week. Courses include Jewish Identities in the 80s on Mondays 4-5 p.m., 012 Steacie Science Bldg. starts Oct. 24, no charge; Calligraphy, Mondays, 5-7 p.m., 012 Steacie Science Building, beginning Oct. 30, $15 fee for six 2-hour sessions; Hebrew I, conversational Hebrew for the beginner, Tuesdays 5-6 p.m., 012A Steacie Science Building, beginning Oct. 25, $2 per class; Hebrew II, post-introductory conversational Hebrew, Tuesdays 6-7 p.m., beginning Oct. 25, $2 per class; Torah, a seminar course in Bible study, Wednesdays 12-2 p.m., 326 Bethune, started Oct. 19, no charge; Jewish Mysticism, Wednesdays 5-6 p.m., S136 Ross Building, beginning Oct. 26, no charge, and Jewish vs. Canadian Law, Thursdays, 5-6 p.m., S136 Ross Building, no charge.

For information on these and other JSF programs, call 667-3647.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

The autumn adult education program at B'nai Shalom North Congregation runs on Tuesday evenings, beginning Oct. 18. From 8.15-9.15 p.m., **Rabbi Solomon Domb** will conduct six sessions of discussions on Jewish Marriage, Place of Women in Judaism and The Family. The second half of the evening, **Arthur Lesley**, professor of Hebrew and comparative literature will lead the discussions on It's Hard to Be a Jew and Moral Choice in Jewish Stories.

On Sundays from 10.15-11.15 a.m. from Oct. 16-Dec. 11, Prof. Lesley will hold a beginner's Hebrew class for adults.

Upcoming programs include Responding to Contemporary Anti-Semitism with **Prof. Morton Manilla**, chairman of the Response Action Committee, League for Human Rights (Nov. 22-Dec. 13), and discussions with Rabbi Domb on sickness, mourning, and the mitzvah of comforting the afflicted, beginning Nov. 29.

All sessions are held at the Westminster Public School, 366 Mullen Dr., Thornhill (first traffic light north of Steeles, west off Bathurst). They are open to non-members. For information, call the synagogue office at 731-2797 or 886-1127.

THORNHILL PIONEER WOMEN

Attention all Thornhill Pioneer Women. There is a meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Freda Savdie**. Guest speaker **Martin Kravitz** of the Toronto Learning Centre will talk about Young Children and Learning Disabilities. All those interested can call 636-5425.

NEW ORT CHAPTER

Toronto Women's ORT is forming a new chapter in the Yonge-Eglinton-Avenue Rd. area, geared to the young working woman. Meetings will be in the evenings and will provide the kind of stimulating programs you are looking for. For information, contact the ORT office at 787-0197.

LZA CONFERENCE

The Labor Zionist Alliance Toronto city conference and elections will be held at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. on the weekend of Oct. 28-30.

An Oneg Shabbat is planned for Friday evening, the 28th, at 8.30 p.m. and sessions begin Sunday morning, at 8 a.m. with delegates from all branches participating.

Guest speakers on Friday evening and at Sunday sessions will be **Ellezer Raphaeli**, founder and president of the University of Haifa and its first chancellor, presently a representative of the Israeli Labor Party of America, and **David Kofsky**, national chairman of the LZA of Canada.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

Saturday, Oct. 29, is the date of the Pride of Israel Temple's fifth annual Monte Carlo Night. It takes place at the Constellation Hotel and everyone is invited to join the fun. There will be games of chance, a grand auction, door prizes (trips to Las Vegas and Atlantic City). Admission is $5 and all proceeds will go in aid of charities.

NEUROLOGICALLY DISABLED

The Association for the Neurologically Disabled (AND) is holding its second clinic on Oct. 27, 28, 29 and 30. For more information, call 233-3696.

TINY TOTS CO-OP PROGRAM

Wilmington Tiny Tots still has space in the co-op program for the 2½-4-year-olds. It runs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.30-11.30 a.m. through to Dec. 16. For information, contact **Reena** at 665-4744 or **Judy** at 633-5155.

SPECIAL MOMENTS IN FASHION

When you put **Alfred Sung, Wayne Clark, Debora Kuchme, Michel Robichaud, Pat McDonagh** and **Tamara Alexis** together, you have an absolute range of fashions for men and women across Canada.

These six designers have joined with the House of Craven in presenting a series of fashion shows titled Craven A Special Moments. The first show premiered at Eaton Centre last month and since has been traveling throughout Ontario prior to a nationwide tour.

The fashion show can be seen at Markville Shopping Plaza, Highway 7 at McCowan Rd., from Oct. 25-29. Showtimes are 12.30 and 7.30 p.m. daily.

FITNESS FASHION SHOW

The Good Age Club of the Jewish Community Centre northern branch invites the community to a fitness fashion show and evening brunch on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 7.30 p.m. in the main gym, 4588 Bathurst St. With **Norma Jordon** as co-ordinator and commentator, an enjoyable program is promised with fashions from Adidas Sports Apparel, a fitness, dance and body building demonstration, door prizes, music, models ranging in age from 14 to 80 plus, and a 7.30 p.m. meal.

Tickets are $2.50 and can be picked up at the JCC lobby Monday to Friday and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 636-1880, ext. 234.

AT THE JCC

Calling all parents with pre-school children to attend a nursery school open house at the northern branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St., on Sunday, Oct. 23 or Oct. 30, from 9-11 a.m. Let your child enjoy an On Hands experience in the nursery, meet the staff, discuss the program and tour the faculty. The school program highlights gymnastics, swim and music. For more information, call **Orian Feldman** at 636-1880, ext. 232.

Parents and boys interested in forming scouting groups for ages 5-11 are invited to the first meeting on Sunday, Oct. 23, from 6.30-8 p.m. at the northern branch. For more information, call **Ellyn** at 636-1880, ext. 221.

Now is the time to register your child in the JCC Kid's Place (ages 2 years as of Dec. 31), a parent-participatory nursery school. There are still a few places left in the January 84, Tuesday and Thursday, 1-3 p.m. class. Call **Orian** or **Sarah** at 636-1880.

Beginners and intermediate/advanced computer courses for teens, grades 6 and up, are offered by the northern JCC. Fee is $65 for JCC members and $80 for non-members. All classes take place at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT), 200 Wilmington Ave. For information, call **Carolyn** at 636-1880, ext. 335.

Topics Unlimited series continues on Monday, Oct. 24, with **Sy Branson** discussing Investment Strategy for the 80s. The time is 8-9.30 p.m. in the Teen Lounge. Fee is $1. For information, contact **Georgine Nash** at 636-1880. Series is presented by the PACE department of the Koffler Centre of the Arts.

The Leah Posluns Theatre School of the Koffler Centre will be taking winter registration for a wide range of courses taught by professional teachers, directors, actors and technicians, for children, teens and adults. Courses range from creative drama for children to acting techniques, improvisations, monologues, scene study, script writing and backstage workshops. For information, call 636-1880, ext. 230 or 243.

At the Bloor branch — The Bridge Club meets for contract bridge on Tuesdays from 7-10 p.m. and Wednesdays from 12.30-3.30 p.m. under the supervision of **Rose Laucke** . . . The Wolfcub Pack for boys 7-9 years has started and there is room for new members. Group meets Tuesdays from 4.45-6.15 p.m. . . . For information about Bloor JCC programs contact **Mark Egan** at 924-6211.

At the North-East branch — The NE branch is offering a duplicate bridge club on Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Conducted by a professional director, the group begins Oct. 19. Fee is $1.50 per week for NE and JCC members and $2 per week for non-members . . . Registration begins on Nov. 1 for children 3-5 years for the Pre-school Playschool 1984-85 sessions. Options for 2-, 3- or 5-day classes will be offered. Contact **Linda Friedman** for fee schedules and registration information. The number is 889-0813.

SINGLES

Alternative (25-35) group is meeting for dinner at Marky's, Wilson and Bathurst, on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 6.30 p.m. Please reserve by Oct. 24, by calling 783-0175 . . . Keep Sunday, Oct. 30, open for 10-pin bowling at York Bowl, Wilson and Bathurst. Call the above number if you wish information . . . The date to see Les Grands Ballets Canadiens of Montreal at O'Keefe Centre has been changed to Saturday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. Deadline for tickets is Sunday, Oct. 23. Call **Nathan** at 923-9705 or **Judy** at 925-6093.

Club Amal (26-39) invites singles to register for upcoming house parties and trivial pursuit. Call **Sheldon** at 653-1381. Club is sponsored by Canadian Friends of Amal.

Come and join **Solelim** (25-45) for an autumn outing and picnic near Kleinburg, the home of Canada's Group of Seven. Meet at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 23, at the west end of the parking lot at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave., just east of Bathurst. Bring picnic lunch. Carpools will be arranged. In case of rain, meet at the same place and time . . . an alternate program will be arranged.

The **Jewish Community Centre Singles** 35+ regular Monday evening Coffee House on Oct. 24, will feature a folk dance evening beginning at 8 p.m. in the Good Age Lounge of the northern JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. Dances will be taught by a professional from the JCC staff. Wear comfortable clothing. For further information, call 636-1880, ext. 221, or **Doris** at 636-1687.

Beth Tzedec Chaverim (29-49) first session of its Questions and Answers series is set for Sunday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. **Rabbi Lawrence Troster** will answer questions on Jewish history. The cost is $5 per session or $15 for the series of four meetings. Coffee and dessert are served. For information, call the synagogue office at 781-3511, or register at the door.

Jewish Singles Travel Registry had a terrific turnout (45 people on a rainy night) at

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SCROLL OF HONOR

The State of Israel Bonds Women's Division chairman, Louise Cornblum [right], presented Pioneer Women Bond chairman Elaine Sugar with a State of Israel Bonds Scroll of Honor at a "pull-in" function hosted by Elaine, for running a successful and productive 1983 Bond campaign. Also in the picture is guest speaker, author Irving Abella, and Marilyn Myers, Pioneer Women president. [Dave Whittaker photo]

EQUIPMENT ADDED

The Toronto Mezricher Society, under the chairmanship of Sam Bierstone, has purchased a fiberoptic opthalmascope for the Soroka Hospital of the Negev through Toronto Kupat Holim in memory of the late Percy Mandelbaum. Here they are turning over the check to Bert Godfrey, Toronto campaign chairman. Front row, left to right: Rose Bierstone, general treasurer, Fay Libman, Sam Bierstone, Bert Godfrey, Lil Rosenbloom, Ladies Auxiliary treasurer, and Max Rosenbloom, executive member. Back row, left to right: Pearl Adler, Ladies Auxiliary chairman, Morris Adler, executive member, and Albert Bernatt, secretary.

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the Oct. 4 meeting at the Constellation Hotel. Two trips are in the offing — Las Vegas departing Dec. 29, a great way to bring in the New Year, deposit due Oct. 31; and the luxurious singles Caribbean cruise leaving Jan. 15 for one week, deposit due Nov. 1. Call **Russ** at Marlin Travel at 883-1313 or **Elaine Bloom** at 499-1584.

Chai Beth Tikvah Singles (30-55) presents a speaker talking about the Keegstra affair on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. in the synagogue's lower assembly hall . . . The Thanksgiving weekend, with more than 100 people turning out for each event, was a phenomenal success.

Total Living Singles [40+] general meeting is set for Sunday, Oct. 23 at 8 p.m. at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, Kadima Room. A stimulating program is planned with a lawyer who will discuss Second or Third Time Around, Living Common Law, and Marriage Contracts. It should be an interesing evening. Be sure to attend. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $1 for members and $2 for non-members.

The **JCC Singles** [25-35] invites you to a masquerade dance on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Price is $4 for JCC members and $5 for non-members. Costumes are welcome. For more information, call **Ruth Goodman** at 636-1880.

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Young Adults (19-29) Coffee House on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. features live entertainment. Admission is $2. Refreshments will be served. Synagogue is at 55 Yeomans Rd.

Bloor JCC Single Parents Association has arranged a house social with wine, food and music for 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20. For your invitation, call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211 or **Maurice Richman** at 656-6404.

Jewish Singles Project Connect telephone line is staffed by volunteers Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. offering information about and referrals to Jewish singles activities. An activity/emergency tape operates when the office is closed. The numbers are 497-4494 or 497-4393 . . . The One-to-One program connects recently separated, divorced and widowed on a one-to-one basis with a volunteer who has experienced a similar situation for emotional support. It can help. Call 497-4494 . . . Widowed-Connect, a support group for recently bereaved Jewish men and women under 55 for emotional support during the grieving process, will be meeting Thursday, Oct. 27, at 8 p.m. in Room 208 of the northern JCC.

North-East Jewish Single Parents has arranged family bowling on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 2.30 p.m. at York Bowl, Wilson Ave. Members' children will not be charged. For non-members it is $1.20 a game . . . The Family Law Seminar series with **Jane Silver**, who specializes in family law, begins Wednesday, Oct. 26, with Starting the Separation/Divorce Process. Following lectures are Support and Property Division, on Nov. 9; Custody and Post Divorce Issues, on Nov. 30, and open discussion and questions on Dec. 4. Meetings are at 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Fee is $1 per session for members and $2 for non-members . . . For information about all these events, contact **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813.

FOR SENIORS

The **Senior Citizens Club of the Labor Zionist Alliance** is planning a Chanukah celebration for Sunday, Dec. 4, at 6.30 p.m. at 272 Codsell Ave. in the Borochov Centre. An interesting program from 6.30-8 p.m. will be followed by a dance to the music of an orchestra . . . There are still several openings for the Miami trip. For information and registration, call **Bella Naiman** at 633-5841 or **Libby Ravka** at 782-2059 . . . The Gershon Grossinger Cultural Circle meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. At the meeting of Oct. 11, **M. Kleiner**, a musicologist, spoke about Jewish music. A discussion followed. In the absence of **Nechemiah Knobel, Sam Englander** chairs the meetings of the Cultural Circle.

Earl Bales Seniors' Place — The trees in Earl Bales Park are in their glory. The colors are breathtaking and the art class, conducted by **Aileen Sax**, is busy putting colors on canvas. Come and see the beautiful art gallery and paint with the group. Classes are held Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m. . . . **Dr. Howard Fisher**, chiropractor, will be at Earl Bales Seniors' Place starting Thursday, Oct. 27, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon . . . If a gentleman volunteer would care to help with records at the Wednesday night ballroom dancing, please call the office . . . For information about all events, the office number is 636-7856. Call Mondays to Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50** meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 1.15 p.m. **Al Collins** will present the film North of 60-Gold Rush of 98. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome. Fee is $1.50.

The North-East Jewish Seniors **Club Chaverim** meets on Mondays at 1 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. The Oct. 24 program will be a remembrance of the Yom Kippur War 10 years later with a special showing of a movie, Three on the Heights. Admission is 50 cents for members and 75 cents for non-members. Refreshments are served following the program. For further details, call **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813.

The **Workmen's Circle Social Club** [60 +] is meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 12 noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W.. for lunch and entertainment by singer **Edith Montgomery** and pianist **Ada Lewis**. Anyone interested in the Miami trip should come to the meeting. Non-members are welcome. For information, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

The **Adath Sholom Jubilee Club** extends an invitation to the community to enjoy a special performance by The Living Flame in A Salute to Israel on Saturday, Oct. 22, at 8 p.m. in the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W. Refreshments will be served after the concert. Admission is $3 per person for non-members and $2 for club members. Tickets are limited. For advance tickets or information, contact the synagogue office at 635-0131.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni is presenting a musical program with **Chris Newman** at the piano, **Jeanette Goldhar** at the harp plus a flautist on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 1.30 p.m.

At the **Wagman Centre** — The Jewish Ethics and Philosophy series continues on Monday, Oct. 24, with **Rabbi M. Alpern** of Chevra Shas Synagogue discussing What Torah Expects From Us As Human Beings. That's from 2.30-3.30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge . . . The music appreciation series, arranged by the Sam and Mary Harris Music Room committee, will focus on The Development of Violin Music Through Four Historical Periods. The series will consist of four lectures with musical illustrations by **Doug Brierly**, a graduate of the University of Toronto faculty of music. The first lecture on Monday, Oct. 24, covers the Baroque Period. The time is 7-8 p.m. in the Common Room, ground floor.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

At the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W., there will be a concert on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m. from works by Rachmaninov, Glinka, Bach, Mozart, and Paganini given by students from the Academy of Music. Their teacher Sophia Schneur, pianist and founder of the Academy, was trained in the classical tradition in Leningrad. Admission is free. Bring your friends.

Also on Sunday, the 23rd, the dance party begins at 7.30 p.m. with dancing to the live music of the Creative Band. Cost is $2 for members and $2.50 for non-members.

On Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 1.30 p.m., an open forum entitled Security Bill-C-157, A Boon to Security or a Threat to Liberty, will be presented by **Alan Borovoy** of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. This is open to the community and admission is free.

The Biblical Commentaries series continues on Thursday, Oct. 27, with **Rabbi Elyse Goldstein** of Holy Blossom Temple discussing The Tie That Binds: Abraham and Isaac. It takes place from 1-2.30 p.m. in the synagogue.

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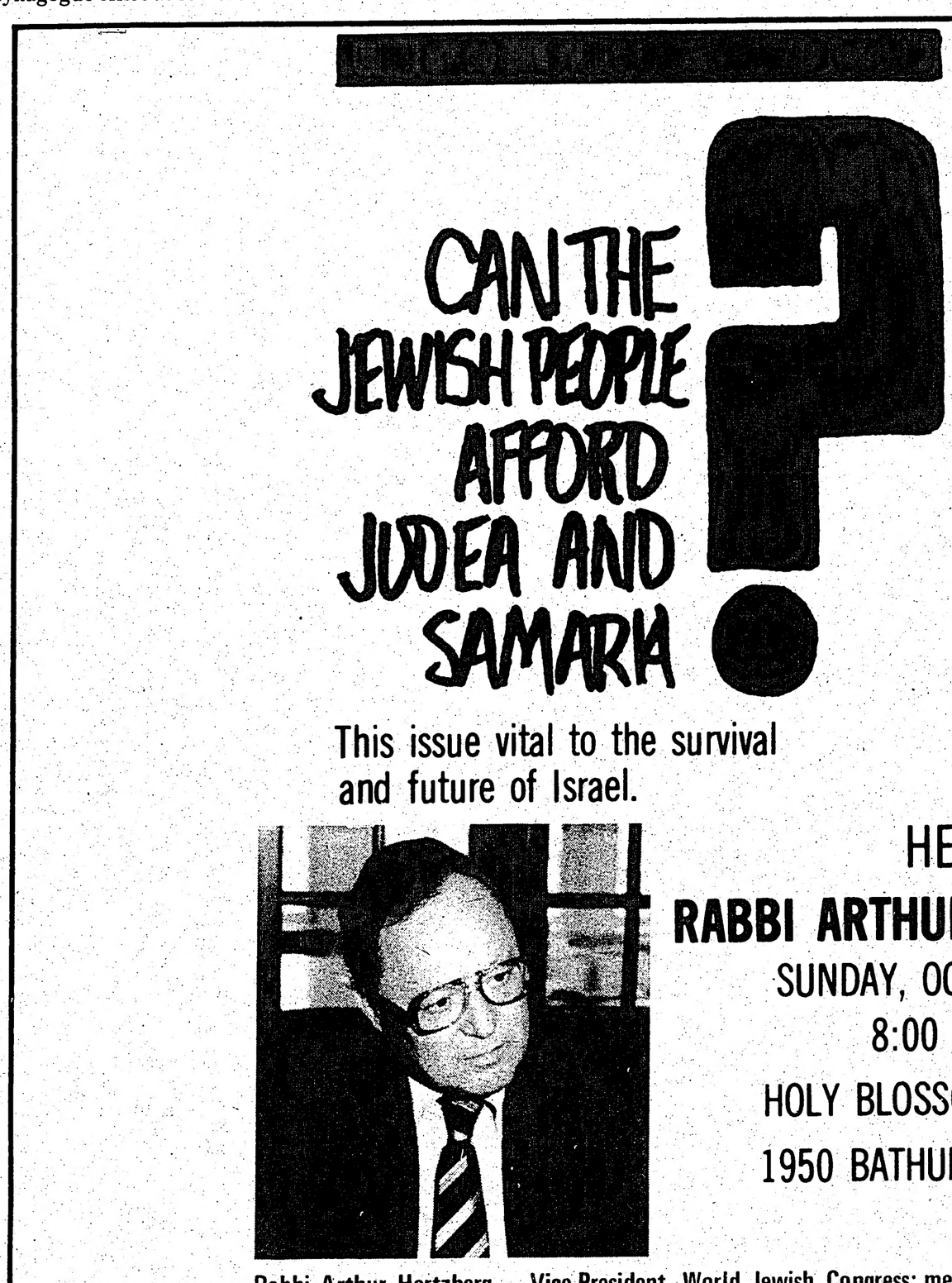
MYER SHARZER AWARD WINNER

The **Myer Sharzer** Memorial Award for 1983 was awarded to **Howard Druckman** of Toronto as best reporter in the graduating year of the School of Journalism, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute.

ZOC DEPUTY PRESIDENT

Montrealer **Milton Winston** has been elected deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada. He has held many important executive positions with the organization since he became a member at McGill University.

A lawyer and professor of business law, as well as freelance journalist and radio commentator, Mr. Winston is executive producer of two Montreal-based television series, Chai Montreal and Jewish Mosaic.



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Beth Jacob Synagogue holds 75th anniversary

By TAMMY KAROL

KITCHENER — Beth Jacob Synagogue, an Orthodox shul in Kitchener with 725 members, kicked off its 75th anniversary celebration this week with a banquet attended by 300 people.

Guest speakers were Ontario treasurer Larry Grossman and Rabbi Philip Rosensweig, spiritual leader of Beth Jacob for 30 years. Rabbi Rosensweig and his wife Gitel, both originally from Toronto, reminisced about the Kitchener community and synagogue. (They have five children in Toronto).

Guests at the celebration included Dom Cardillo, mayor of Kitchener, Marjorie Carroll, mayor of Waterloo, federal MPs Peter Lang (Liberal) and Walter McLean (Conservative) and provincial Liberal MPPs in the Kitchener-Waterloo area, John Sweeney, Jim Breithaupt and Herb Epp.

Beth Jacob, located at Sterling Ave. and Courtland, is the principal synagogue in Kitchener. There's also a smaller Reform congregation, Temple Shalom.

Current president at Beth Jacob is Howard Budd and the cantor is Yehuda Rossler.

Beth Jacob began 75 years ago in a member's home on Albert St. In 1908 there were 10 Jewish families affiliated with the shul.

By 1942, 30 families were members and Wolfe Feldman was named the synagogue's first president. That year congregants put up a building for the synagogue and a Talmud Torah on Madison Ave.

On Feb. 20, 1961 members moved into a new building where they are still located today. Housed there was the Beth Jacob Synagogue Centre and Hebrew School, and services were provided to 185 families.

Today Beth Jacob is the focal point for the Kitchener - Waterloo community. There are Friday and Saturday services, facilities for banquets (Kosher food and a mashgiach are available, a gymnasium and a hall for sports and social gatherings.

The Hebrew school operates Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m. and on Sundays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Rabbi Rosensweig is the school's principal and there are in addition five staff members who teach Hebrew, history, Judaic and other studies.

There are classes for teens and an adult education program which operates during the day and also in the evenings.

PLANNING A DINNER

Members of the planning committee for the Negev Dinner Dec. 4 in tribute to Kurt and Edith Rothschild, met recently. From left [seated] are Nathan Hurwich, Sidney Bearg, dinner chairman Ronald Appleby, Jack Schwartz and Harry Korolnek. [Standing] David Kagan, Theodore Richmond, Patricia Starr, Judy Gwartz, Morris Kerzner and Robert Hall. [Joe Lavee photo]

Chief Rabbi on tour

TORONTO — The Chief Rabbi of France, Dr. Shmuel R. Sirat, will visit Sephardic communities in Toronto and Montreal next week before continuing on to Yeshiva University in New York.

On Monday, Oct. 24, he will address a reception for the Sephardi community in Toronto, in Hebrew and French, given in his honor by Ontario's first Sephardic congregation, Petah Tikva Anshe Castilla.

He will also visit the Sephardic day school, Or Ha-Emet.

The following day, in Montreal, he will be welcomed by the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, a Sephardic congregation whose origins go back to 1768.

Montreal, with 25,000 Jews of Sephardic origin, is the largest Sephardic community in Canada. Toronto is second, with a Sephardi population of between 6,000 and 7,000.

Rabbi Sirat's North American visit is under the sponsorship of the Maybaum Brothers Memorial Foundation of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University.

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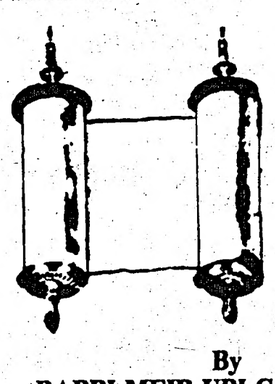

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshas Vayeirah

It's not the outside that counts but the inside.

A certain pious Jew visited a modern temple where the congregants were not overly observant. He assayed the beautiful sanctuary, but his gaze fixed on the two golden lions holding the Ten Commandments.

"Why are you so fascinated by the lions?" someone asked him.

"Because they are the only ones here who still hold on to the Ten Commandments," he answered quickly.

* * *

A Jew is not just the outside, but the inside — how he works on himself, how he speaks, thinks, does business, relates to G-d. Why is Abraham the father of the Jewish people? Not because of his gold and silver, bulls and lambs — but because of his neshama.

You don't become an Abraham from watching television, but by cleaving to G-d every moment.

Consider . . . Abraham circumcised himself at the age of 99. He was suffering, in pain . . . but still he dragged himself out. Maybe — maybe! — there's a poor straggler he can bring in, show hospitality to.

What did G-d do? He removed the shield of the sun: — it roared down so fiercely that no one would walk the desert roads — all not to bother Abraham. But Abraham insisted, he looked, he begged — send me a guest!

Why? If there is no one who needs help, then you don't have to give help. If there were no poor people, why didn't Abraham go back inside . . . rest?

But — explains the Or Hanefesh — Abraham realized that when he shows hospitality and kindness to a poor guest, it's not just the guest he is helping. His love and mercy affects his own neshama. When we give tzedakah, when we have a good middah [quality of nature], it is our own soul we are purifying.

What are we here for — but for mitzvahs?

* * *

In Toronto recently, a middle-aged representative of a prominent tile company was seen rushing around town to help someone. Someone asked: "Aren't you losing selling time?" Answered he: "What I am going to earn this year has already been ordained in Heaven. But the mitzvahs I grab is up to me. . . ."

A Jew must not only do mitzvahs — they must be with a song, a simcha, a rejoicing . . . Hineni muchan! When a stranger did finally appear before Abraham, the Torah says: "And he lifted up his eyes and he saw, and behold three men were standing before him . . . and he saw and he ran to meet them. . . ."

Why does it have to say twice "and he saw?" It shows what a love and joy Abraham had for the mitzvah. He saw them, jumped up to greet them. But as he ran, he looked and looked, gazed and beheld with joy, the mitzvah before him — just like a person who has traveled a long distance, and finally sees the city of his destination (Zohar).

It's a pure joy to be a Jew. A chassid came to the Radziner Rav and complained that he made a difficult living.

"And how is your health, and how is your appetite?" he asked.

"Fine," answered the man.

"Then you are not poor," answered the rabbi. "Just yesterday a person came here and told of spending 500 rubles to cure his wife who has lost her appetite — so see now how much your appetite is worth!"

Shabbat Shalom.

Learning disabled kids can do it Chassidic rabbi's school proves

TORONTO —

Rabbi Aron H. Fried, dean of the Jewish Centre for Special Education in Brooklyn, will be guest speaker at a program about learning disabilities on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 2.30 p.m.

Dr. Fried's subject is "Learning Abilities and Disabilities: Debunking the Myths," and he will be speaking at the Conference Centre, on the 4th floor of the Lipa Green Building for Jewish Community Services, 4600 Bathurst St.

The program will also feature an information panel to provide interested parties with information about classes in the Toronto Jewish community for learning-disabled children. Participants will include: Dr. Zeev Greenberg, coordinator, Tikvat Hayim School; Elaine Rubinoff, principal, She'arim Hebrew Day School; and Ruth Kelman, coordinator, Ezra School. Moderator will be Herb Goldstein.

Rabbi Aron Fried

Fried, who also serves as associate professor of psychology at John Jay College, City University of New York, is a Munkatcher Chassid who has earned an international reputation as a specialist in the field of learning problems. Raised in Montreal, he attended the Merkaz Hatorah Yeshiva in that city, as well as yeshivot in Spring Valley, NY and Toronto. He holds a doctorate from the New School for Social Research.

Fried has served as principal of the day school operated by the Munkatcher community. It was at this institution that he first introduced a variety of educational innovations, including open classrooms, individualized instruction, and unconventional approaches to helping students with special learning needs.

In 1978, he founded the Jewish Centre for Special Education (Yeshiva Limudel Hashem), and a year later, established, by request, a similar school in Jerusalem.

Fried is articulate about the needs of special children. "The learning disabled can learn," he contends, "but only if those who teach them believe in them . . . if those around them pick them up rather than put them down."

The program is being co-sponsored by the She'arim Hebrew Day School, the Tikvat Hayim School, the Ezra School, and the Board of Jewish Education. Entrance is free and the entire community is invited to attend.

Survivor poet to give lectures

TORONTO —

Poet, playwright, historian and author of Hasidic Tales of the Holocaust, Yaffa Eliach will be the guest lecturer at the Great Weekend, sponsored by Shaarei Shomayim Congregation Oct. 29 and 30.

The Holocaust survivor, an expert in chassidism, will present an Oneg Shabbat lecture, Chassidic Tales of the Holocaust: The Art of Jewish Survival on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 2 p.m.

Eliach, 48, whose parents were killed in a pogrom in Poland, has received numerous awards for her humanitarian activities.

Her first-hand experiences and scholarship in the Holocaust and anti-semitism have made her a frequent guest on The Fifth Estate, Phil Donahue Show and radio and television documentaries.

Yaffa Eliach

She will present a public lecture Saturday evening at 8.30 on The Holocaust: Why Sophie's Choice?

Sunday morning at 10 she will speak on The Jewish Woman: From Shtetl to Suburbia.

All lectures will be held at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, 470 Glencairn Ave. They are free of charge and open to the public.

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Cults fill ideological vacuum, UJA meeting told

By
SHEILA DROPKIN
and
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
Faulting North American shortsightedness for the growing appeal of cults among young adults, psychiatrist Dr. Saul V. Levine last week assured his audience at a Kaleidoscope 84 workshop that most cult members leave their groups within three to four years and return to the mainsteam of society.

In his seminar, Radical Departures-Jewish Children Searching for a New Way, which was part of the United Jewish Appeal Women's Division annual UJA Day at Beth Tzedec, Levine said: "We in North America do not offer enough outlets to captivate the ideology of young people. We have not paid enough attention to this problem."

The head of the psychiatry department at Sunnybrook Medical Centre, Levine recently completed a study of cult members and former cult members.

He found them to be generally 17 to 26 years of age, mainly from educated, loving families, and having little or no self-esteem.

In 1976, 40% of the members of the Divine Little Mission cult in Toronto and San Francisco were Jewish. Other cults have shown the same ratio of Jewish to non-Jewish membership, according to Levine.

Levine said the specific meaning behind the cult is not as important to the members as is their sense of belonging to a group and their growing self-esteem.

While he found similarities between cults and the yeshivot, he stressed that these centres of study could not, and should not, be equated with the cult movements.

Yeshivot do not deify their chief rabbi as do the followers of the Maharishi or Rev. Moon, even though some do generate a sense of quasi-worship of the religious leader. In yeshivot, there is no coercion or threat forcing people to remain, although peer pressure is strong.

They do not employ subterfuge, dishonesty or deprivation and make no demands for estrangement from families. In fact, family contact is encouraged, often as not for financial as well as emotional support.

The proselytizing by some yeshivot is, actually, in direct response to the attraction of cults among Jewish youngsters and an effort to save them for Judaism and from possible harm.

The dropout rate in the Israeli yeshivot is high, since most of the students are from foreign English-speaking countries who eventually return home, some to enrol in local yeshivot. Most yeshiva dropouts retain a deeper sense of religiosity and a higher percentage of ideals than their peers who haven't had this experience.

Initially, many of the parents of the yeshiva students, who are not themselves very orthodox, are as concerned about these religious centres as they would be about cults.

The enrolment is "too sudden, they become too cut off from secular life," Levine said. "Most of the kids have just been wandering around Israel, traveling before settling down to school or a profession at home. The parents aren't ready for this."

Levine stressed that once a child joins a cult, constant family contact, even when shunned, is the surest way of affecting a return. He questioned the value and advisability of kidnapping and deprogramming.

At another workshop entitled Action on Anti-semitism, panelists Ben Kayfetz, national executive director of the Joint Community Relations Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, Alan Shefman, director of B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights, Central Region, and Larry Zimmerman and Messad Boussidan, Osgoode Hall law students, agreed that overt anti-semitism has become more common since Israel invaded Lebanon last year.

Although anti-semitism was "not a big issue" at York University because of the large Jewish enrolment, numerous activists, claiming to be anti-Zionists, have been causing problems, and on the morning of Kaleidoscope 84, the York Jewish Students' Federation had received a bomb threat, the audience was told.

Shefman said one positive aspect of the rise in overt anti-semitism is that "many people woke up to the fact that they can't remain complacent and groups such as JSF at York and the University of Western Ontario are becoming active and dynamic, using general student politics to fight the growth of anti-Jewish and anti-Zionist groups."

He said the Keegstra affair in Alberta made it very clear that anti-semitism doesn't occur only in Europe or the southern United States. It awakened one of the most complacent Jewish communities in the country . . ."

Kayfetz expressed concern that Canada's new Charter of Rights might make it more difficult to prosecute dispensers of hate literature. "The Charter may not be the unadulterated piece of progress we had hoped for. By assuring freedom of speech, do we validate hatemongers?"

Both Kayfetz and Shefman asked the audience to "act on your own concerns. Don't ask Congress and B'nai B'rith to do it all for you."

In another session, Shira Herzog Bessin, director of research for the Canada-Israel Committee, said that Lebanon has proved to be "more of a quagmire than expected" for Israel and the Americans.

Discussing Patterns for Political Action-American Middle East Policy, Bessin noted the difference in one's perspective from an Israeli point of view and as a North American, when focusing on the "fascinating moral, ideological relationship between Israel and the United States.

"We have to view the conflict through East-West relationships, where European interests rank first and those of the Middle East are secondary. That is the ongoing element."

She said the Middle East was seen by the U.S. as the spot where Soviet expansion and influence had to be contained and in 1967, Israel proved able to serve those American strategic interests.

"It all changed with Sadat, who turned his country away from the Soviet orbit and the United States took on the role of mediator."

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Senator to receive Primrose Award

Croll keeps on fighting for the working people

TORONTO —

Dave Croll didn't know what he was letting himself in for when he helped initiate the Primrose Club's annual Primrose Award for community service four years ago. This week Senator Croll himself will be the 1983 recipient of the award at a gala dinner at the club.

Primrose Club past-president and this year's dinner chairman, Noah Zeldin said that the awards committee was unanimous in choosing Croll.

"He fought against it, and we thought we might have to drag him kicking and screaming to accept it, but we have no doubt that his enormous contributions to our community made him the obvious choice.

"He is a very special man . . . not only to us at the club, but to the city and to the province and to the entire country."

Club president Harold Soupcoff echoed Zeldin's sentiments. "This is a very special, a very remarkable man who honors us by his membership in the Primrose Club and by accepting this award.

"He has been a member for 25 years, a Life Member since 1977 and an active member of our board for many years. But his contribution to this club represents just a tiny fraction of the contributions he has made to this community, and it is those contributions that this award recognizes."

Interviewed in his Toronto apartment, Croll appeared somewhat embarassed by the award.

"I told them they should find someone else but they wouldn't listen," he said. "It's a terrific honor and I'm very proud of it, because this is an award that really means something. All you've got to do is look at the other recipients — Dora Till and J. I. Oelbaum and Carl Kayfetz to see that.

"If the Primrose Club puts me into that kind of company, what can I say except that it's wonderful to be given such an honor, especially at my age."

Croll is 82, and though in less robust health now than he has been, he still conducts his life at a pace that would exhaust a much younger man.

When Parliament is in session he spends at least three days a week in Ottawa attending to his still considerable senatorial responsibilities. Parts of two other days are spent at his Toronto office.

In fair weather, the weekends find him on the golf course, and most mornings begin with a long, brisk walk at an hour when most people are still groping for their alarm clocks.

His schedule reflects a disciplined determination of a career that began in Windsor, Ont., the city to which Croll and his family emigrated from just outside Moscow in 1905, when Croll was 5 years old.

His parents, Hillel and Linnie, raised six children — David was the oldest; the others were Leo, Morrie, Sam, Cecil and Evelyn.

Croll graduated in 1925 from Osgoode Hall Law School, returned to Windsor, married Sarah Levin and began to practice law, establishing his own practice in 1928.

He began his political career in 1930, eventually becoming mayor of Windsor.

In 1934 he entered provincial politics, running successfully as a Liberal in the riding of Windsor-Walkerville.

He was immediately named by Premier Mitchell Hepburn to head up the ministry of welfare, becoming the youngest cabinet minister in the British Commonwealth and the first Jewish cabinet minister in Canada.

Within a year, Croll held three senior cabinet portfolios, welfare, labour and municipal affairs, the latter a ministry he originated.

His passionate concern for the working man led him to break with Hepburn over labor policy and resign from the cabinet in 1937.

His letter of resignation included the now famous sentence: "I would rather march with the workers than ride with General Motors."

His pioneering contribution to Ontario political and legislative history is evidenced by the many major acts he authored, including the Minimum Wage Act, the Industrial Standards Act and the Labor and Industry Act.

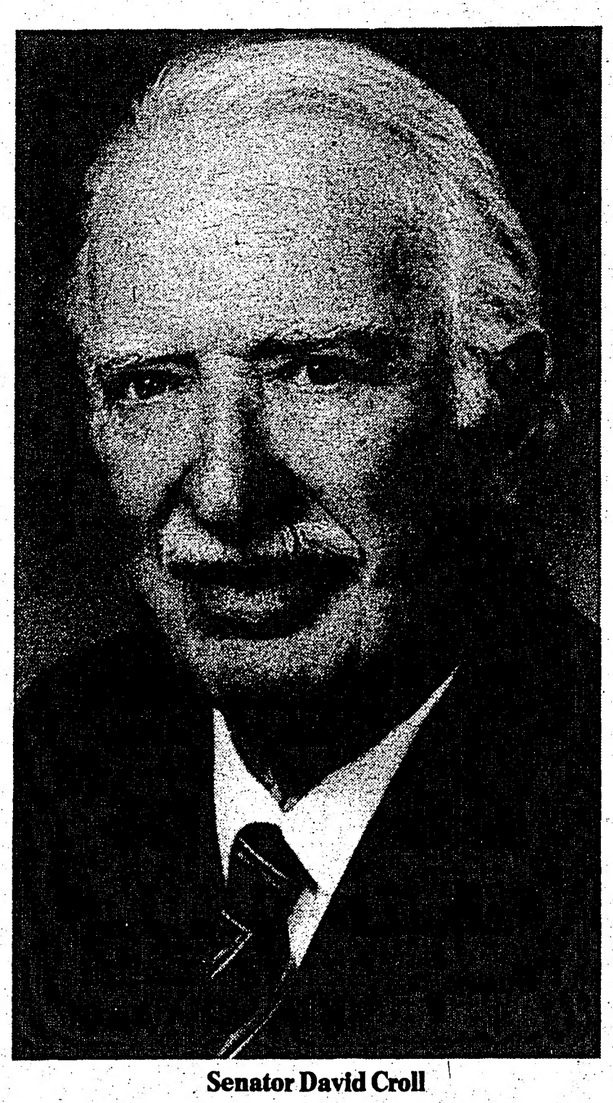
In 1939 all this was left behind when Croll went to war. He enlisted as a private in the Essex Scottish Regiment and served overseas until 1945, rising to the rank of colonel by war's end.

While working with the Allied Military Government overseas, he was invited to enter federal politics.

In 1945 he returned home and successfully contested the riding of Toronto-Spadina. He won that seat again in 1949 and 1953, and served with distinction in the House of Commons.

In 1955 Croll accepted an appointment to the Senate, becoming Canada's first Jewish member of the Upper House.

He wasted no time in bringing his energy and talents to bear on the Senate, advocating a much expanded role for senators on parliamentary committees.



Senator David Croll

In 1966, he chaired the Senate committee on aging, which made major recommendations on pensions, almost all of which were later adopted in legislation.

In the late 60s, he took on one of his most difficult and controversial jobs as chairman of the Senate committee on poverty and recommended major overhauls to the welfare system and to the income tax system.

Croll's last major parliamentary task was to chair the Special Senate Committee on Retirement Age Policies.

Its report, Retirement Without Tears, advocated sweeping changes to the legislation and customs dealing with those compelled to retire at age 65.

It is a fitting irony that this major social document on retirement should have been completed shortly after Croll had celebrated his 80th birthday.

Croll has a message to the elderly. "Politics is power," he says. "If you want to change the rules, you've got to enter the political battleground. The old have to organize themselves politically in order to use the power in the system. Nobody will fight those battles for them."

Croll's thoughts are not all with the old. When he was presented with an honorary doctorate by St. Mary's University two years ago, he had an equally compelling message for the members of the graduating class.

"It is too easy to be cynical," he told them, "too easy to believe that the larger world will pay no attention to you or to your ideas, that you can have no role to play in the struggle for social justice.

"But that cynicism is an escape from responsibility — the responsibility we all have to leave the world a little bit better than we found it, or, at the very least, to try to do so. There are still good things to be done, and they can be done, they must be done — and if not by you, than by whom?"

For Croll, what, after more than 50 years of political battles, after all the memories, stands out most clearly?

"Well, I think what I cherish most was coming back after the war and running in Spadina. Those were thrilling times because there was a compact with the people, with the working people, in that campaign. It's a compact I've tried always to hold on to . . . to live up to."

This week, Croll's friends and family, including his wife of 58 years, Sally, his daughters Eunice, Connie and Sandy and their families, are helping the Primrose honor the man, and the compact he charished.

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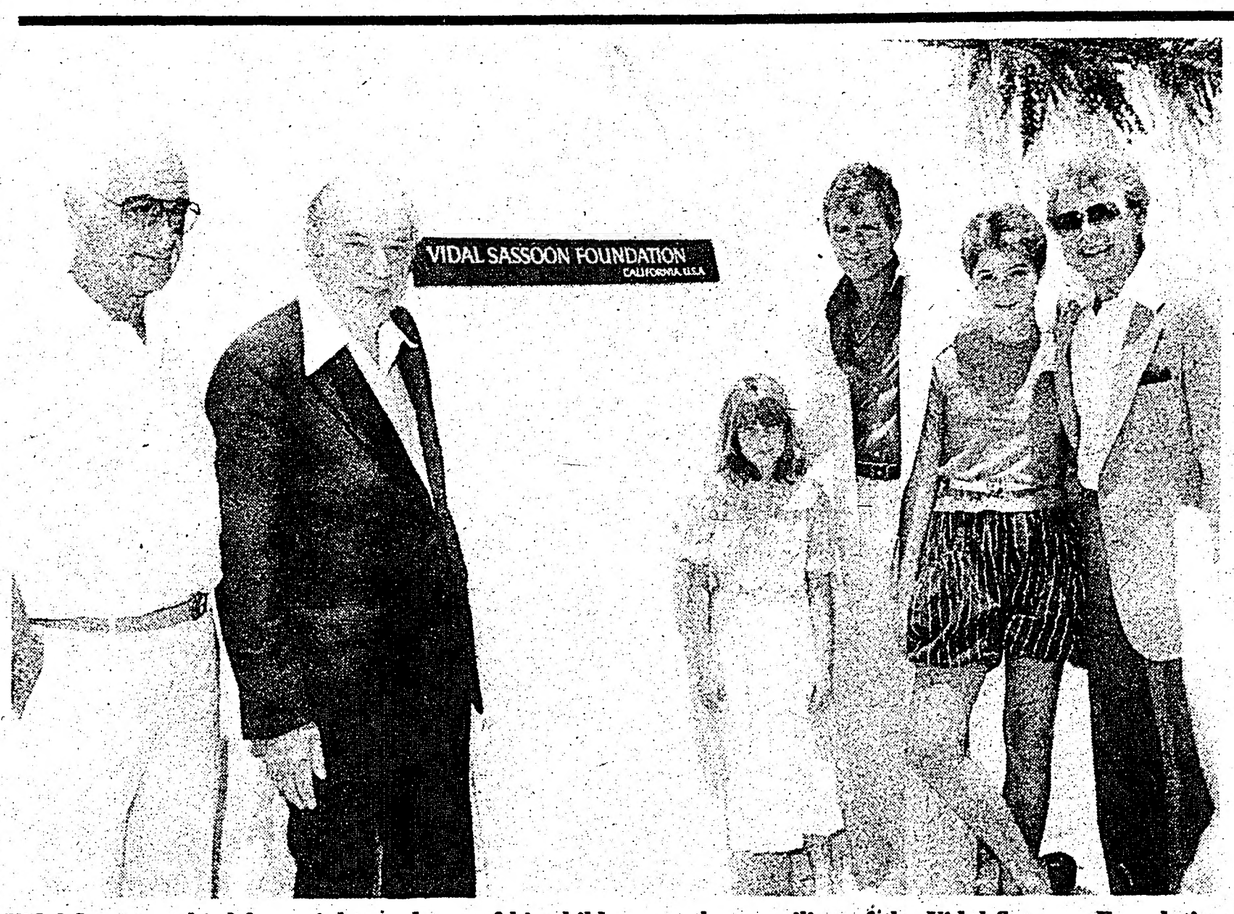

Vidal Sassoon, third from right, and two of his children, at the unveiling of the Vidal Sassoon Foundation plaque at the Wall of Life. With him from left, are Harvery Silbert, Avraham Harman and singer Steve Lawrence.

Hairstyle revolutionary Sassoon will be speaker at CFHU dinner

VANCOUVER — Vidal Sassoon, the man who revolutionized hairstyles and hair care for women, will be the guest speaker in Vancouver Oct. 29 at a dinner for Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

Sassoon is president of the Western States Region of American Friends of the Hebrew University and a founding member and ambassador of goodwill for AFHU. He is co-chairman of Hebrew University's International Centre for the Study of Anti-Semitism and a trustee of the university's Rothberg School for Overseas Students.

Sassoon, born in England into a famous old Sephardi family, has been honored by many Jewish groups, including the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the State of Israel itself, which presented him with the Sword of Haganah.

The $50-a-plate dinner at the Hotel Vancouver will honor Leon and Rose Marie Glassman, who recently established a centre at the Hebrew University for research into juvenile diabetes. Mrs. Glassman is the dinner's convenor. About 400 guests are expected to attend, including Friends' national president, Dr. Ralph Halbert of Toronto.

Guests will be entertained by Canadian vocalist Judy Forst, who has been prominent on the Ottawa music scene. Her husband, Dr. Graham Forst, is head of the Holocaust Education Committee in Vancouver.

UJA event looks like million

TORONTO — UJA's Buddy-Up Day has done it again, gleaning just over $1 million in commitments to Campaign 84 in its most recent edition.

The 3-year-old creation of United Jewish Appeal in Toronto, Buddy-Up Day has been adopted by other major UJA campaigns throughout North America and blossomed into one of the most successful 1-day fund raising formats on record.

This day in Toronto was a Major Gifts Division affair, with canvassers from that group as well as much of the UJA key leadership taking time off from business and professional activities to participate.

The event began with breakfast at the new Jewish Community Services Building, followed by a preview of the new UJA-Toronto Jewish Congress film Promises to Keep.

UJA joint chairmen Lionel Schipper and Issy Sharp were on hand to report on the campaign's progress, as were a number of past UJA chairmen including: Dr. Gerald Halbert, Dr. Ralph Halbert, Allan Offman and Alvin Rosenberg.

Buddy-Up Day closed out at the home of Jeff and Sheila Engel, where L'chayim was raised to the news — by event chairman Charlie Diamond — that the million dollar mark had been exceeded during the previous eight hours.

According to UJA campaign director Steve Ain, among the day's successful canvassers were: Sid Bearg, Sidney Chelsky, Charlie Diamond, Max Handelman, Nat Hurwich, Bernie Little and Fred Metter.

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TUES., OCT. 25, 1:15 P.M. **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50.** Banquet Hall. **Al Collins** will present the film: **North of 60 – Gold Rush of 98.** Everyone welcome. Charge: $1.50. Refreshments.

SAT., OCT. 29. Pulpit lecture by **Prof. Don Patinkin**, President of the Hebrew University. Topic: **Higher Education in Israel.**

TUES., NOV. 1, 1:15 P.M. **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50.** The first luncheon of the season with guests **Ruth Morawetz**, piano and **Lynn Blaser**, soprano. Reservations necessary. Call 781–3511.

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Can Reform safeguard Jewish survival, or is it an assimilationist movement? How does it relate to secularism, traditionalism, new cults, the non-Jewish world? How can the dynamics of renewal work?

Organizations and People

Identity search ends for Jewish WASP

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO —
Theirs is the kind of story from which soap operas and TV movies are made. Boy grows up in affluent, intellectual, influential family but is confused about his identity due to parents' denial of their roots. Boy meets young gentile girl raised as an atheist. Boy and girl fall in love and marry.

Can they find happiness together? Does Paul return to his Jewish heritage? Does Rachel follow? Do they now consider themselves as role models for others to follow?

For Paul and Rachel Cowan, speakers at the recent UJA Women's Day Kaleidescope 84 luncheon, the answers all seem to be "yes."

"There's something in the story that Rachel and I tell that people seem to respond to," Cowan told The CJN after his speech. "We see it as important for people who've given up hope for assimilated Jews to understand that there's no one who is completely lost to Judaism."

Cowan told his appreciative audience about his assimilated father, the late Louis Cowan (nee Cohen) who rose professionally to become president of CBS-TV and his mother, Polly, daughter of wealthy German-Jews who converted to Christian Science.

The parents never denied their Jewish birth, yet never lived as Jews or instructed their four children about their heritage. Instead of celebrating Passover and Chanukah, the family enjoyed Easter and Christmas; rather than discuss religion with the family, they selected politics and arts as their topics of conversation.

Cowan's presentation was a condensed version of his book, An Orphan in History, in which he described his "odyssey of discovery," his journey back into the history of his paternal family during which he learned how deeply rooted in Judaism they were, including rabbinical forebears and a very Orthodox grandfather. As a writer for New York's Village Voice, he interviewed Jewish socialists and Orthodox Jews on the lower east side.

"I was a Jewish WASP," he said. "I met Rachel when we were both active in the civil rights movement and that was our religion."

Yet earlier, as a teenage student at Choate, a church-run prep school, he learned something about being Jewish when he became the target for virulent anti-semitism. And later, while studying at Harvard, he questioned the lack of Jewish content in a course on theologians and took a year off to live in Israel.

Rachel accepted his search into Judaism and practiced many of the rites with him. Although they've been married for almost 20 years, she formally converted to Judaism only three years ago.

"My being here represents a choice and a process that took a long time," she said. "It's a logical journey."

Although she had not yet converted, when their children, now 13 and 15, were born, the couple decided to raise them as Jews.

"One of the wonderful things about Judaism," she added, "is that the history, the holidays and the ceremonies enrich daily life. Converts never take Judaism for granted; we bring lots of energy to it."

During his research for his Village Voice articles, Paul became friendly with an Orthodox rabbi who influenced him greatly in his return to Judaism.

They have since joined the Ansche Chesed synagogue in New York's upper west side and have been working with the other members in rejuvenating the congregation.

Cowan told proudly of the marked increase in the number of worshippers and the many programs now under way there. He and Rachel started a day care centre at the synagogue and included Jewish programming in its activities, as well as a chavera school for older children.

"We are learning with and for our children," he said. "Our synagogue is a true community and its special feelings were brought out when my parents died." The elder Cowans died tragically in a fire.

"My life has been immeasurably deepened and enriched by my conversion," Rachel said. "I had already studied and learned a lot about Judaism so the actual finalization of the process was simple."

The couple now conduct workshops at the 92nd Street Y for interfaith couples, to help them "articulate their Jewishness," as well as support groups for people undergoing conversion and parents of children who intermarry.

They report that in the U.S. the phenomenon of people electing to be Jewish is spreading. There are at least 20,000 converts to Judaism annually in the U.S.

Paul and Rachel Cowan are surrounded by friends, from left, Gella Rothstein, Lorraine Sandler, Anne Handelman and Bonnie Goldstein.

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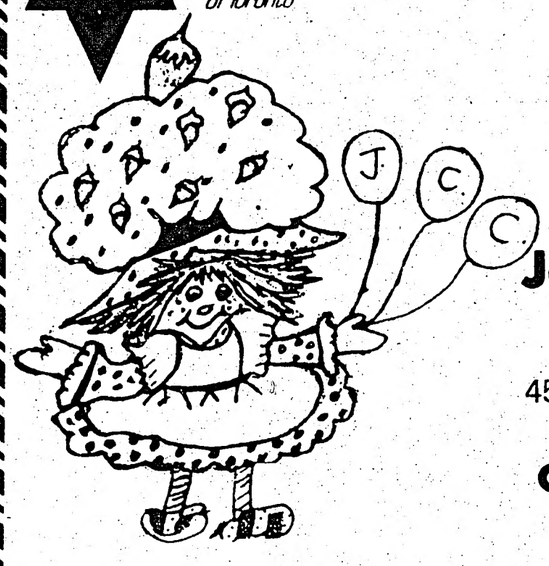

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Organizations and People

"We are human and imperfect"

Objective reporting put under scrutiny

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

The question of objective reporting by television networks was raised recently during a session at Kaleidoscope 84, this year's United Jewish Appeal Women's Division UJA Day.

Peter Kent of CBC's The Journal, Bill Cunningham, CTV's W5 executive producer and Global News anchorman Peter Trueman formed the panel on Spectrum of Interpretation-Media Coverage of Events in Israel, with Erika Biro acting as moderator.

Biro, a lecturer on current affairs, voiced her concern for the "disturbing nature" of news coverage in the Middle East and questioned whether those involved in presenting the news were properly equipped with the necessary background.

Or if the power of the "scoop" was the all-consulting factor.

The world, she said, cannot be presented with clarity in 40-second television clips.

She further posed the question as to whether there was such a thing as objective reporting without personal bias.

"We are human and imperfect, bearing personal biases and shortcomings," Kent said. "Western media coverage of the Middle East last year was imperfect, but in total it was fairly broad and objective."

Cunningham pointed out that today's journalists are better trained than at any previous time in history, but "TV news spins so much faster that the correspondent in the field has less think-time. The demands on him are far greater now, with the time factor playing a big role in the margin for error."

Trueman agreed, adding: "There is no such thing as reflective news reporting. It is truly impossible to rise above experience and environment. To be reasonably fair and accurate is the best we can hope for. Truth is in the eye of the beholder at any given time and place."

Trueman said he tries to conceal his own pro-Israel bias in editorial comments, which in one day elicited threats from both the PLO and the Jewish Defence League.

All agreed there is far too much dependence on U.S. news services, due to lack of staff and Canadian news bureaus in strategic locations.

"Canadian interests are not well served," said Cunningham. "Seventy-five per cent of TV foreign coverage comes from American news services, and the result is that Canadian perception of the world is woefully inadequate."

All three voiced the opinion that Canada cannot begin to compete with U.S. network news resources "which are far too complex and expensive for us to even consider."

The solution, in part, as they see it, would be to set up a co-op similar to The Canadian Press which services newspapers across the country.

Cunningham, who had just returned from the Middle East, said it was virtually impossible to understand the many contradictions in Lebanon where the areas of control were shifting all the time.

"Israel is an easy place for a journalist to work in," he said, "but it is totally different in the Arab world."

He conceded, that there were legitimate grounds for "less than enthusiastic feelings" for the way Israel's role in Lebanon was presented last year.

Kent concluded by pointing out that it was impossible to have a working crew covering both sides in combat situations. "In the long run the big picture will tell the true story responsibly."

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Sun., Dec. 18, 8:15 p.m. "Dissent in the Jewish Community." – a symposium. Panelists: Mr. Max Goody, Mr. Mel Shipman.

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Attending testimonial dinner were, from left, Jonathan Schneiderman, Lawrence Greenspon, Alan Sokoloff, Joseph Magnet and Jordan Charness. [Zev Kalin photo]

Lawyers honored in JSU-Hillel case

Trial presentation lauded

By
ZEV KALIN

OTTAWA — Lawyers Lawrence Greenspon and Prof. Joseph Magnet were honored recently at a testimonial dinner for their efforts in representing the Jewish Students Union-Hillel of Ottawa in its struggle for constitutional rights at the University of Ottawa.

JSU-Hillel praised Greenspon and Magnet for their presentations at the impeachment trial earlier this year of the Central Co-ordinating Committee (CCC) of the Students Federation of the U of O, which had attempted to ban the JSU-Hillel from campus.

"In the name of 25,000 students," said Magnet, "a student government inspired by intolerance, by ignorance and — let us be very frank about this —by anti-semitism, sought to strip the seeds of our community from their fundamental liberties of speech, their rights to organize, to advocate Jewish or any other causes on the U of O campus."

the CCC as religiously, racially and politically discriminatory.

JSU-Hillel, initiated impeachment procedures by collecting more than 1,000 signatures on a petition calling for the dismissal of the CCC. After a selection period spanning two months, a 7-member student court was chosen from among 65 applicants.

On Feb. 2, the court convened and after logging over 30 hours in six sessions, a precedent-setting judgment was passed: all five members of the CCC were found guilty of abuse of power and ordered removed from office.

The court ruled: "These actions have cast a stigma onto the shoulders of each and every graduate who must bear with the tainted image that has been brought to this learning institution by the very persons whom they elected into power."

Greenspon recounted an experience he had while preparing JSU-Hillel's case for the impeachment trial.

"I felt like that was my second home," said Greenspon of the U of O law building. "Three fellows I got into the elevator with appeared to be of Middle East origin and I looked at them and they looked at me and there wasn't a single thing that was said. But when I got out of the elevator, I had a very ugly feeling in my stomach . . . and that feeling was fear.

"The real people who should be honored here," he continued, "are the ones who lived with that feeling on campus every day while this was going on, not knowing whether they should wear their Star of David when they walked through the university centre. These are the ones with whom I am proud to share this honor and this evening."

Representing JSU-Hillel and acting as masters of ceremonies were Jordan W. Charness, chairperson of JSU-Hillel National Capital Region, and Jonathan Schneiderman, president, JSU-Hillel University of Ottawa. They were introduced by Alan Sokoloff, chairman of the testimonial committee.

Awards of merit

Charness and Schneiderman bestowed awards of merit on members of the community "whose outstanding efforts on behalf of JSU-Hillel were instrumental in our victory."

These included Prof. Michael Bendel, writer and journalist Meyer Klein, Joseph Lieff, Hy Hochberg and World Court Judge Maxwell Cohen.

Another recipient was Nissen Chackowicz, JSU-Hillel's past staff worker, who "pulled it all together and really deserves a testimonial of his own," Schneiderman said.

Chackowicz in turn presented the only award of merit given to a student — Charness — for his role in chairing the community task force, sitting on the student court selection committee, and preparing JSU-Hillel's court case.

Chackowicz called Charness "someone willing to bust his butt for what he believed in" and said of the rest of the JSU-Hillel executive: "Strong leadership was essential. We had it."

Greenspon and Magnet were awarded plaques depicting the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Greenspon, who had performed in the court bilingually, was presented with a French version.

While describing Magnet, Greenspon made a comment many listeners felt was applicable to all those honored that evening.

He said: "Einstein once wrote that 'the world is dangerous to live in, not because of the people who do evil, but because of the people who sit and let it happen.' I had the real privilege of working with someone who would not let it happen."

Book space blocked

At the outset of the 1982/83 academic year, the CCC tried to block attempts by JSU-Hillel to book space in the university centre.

However, once they had been forced to state their position publicly, the CCC began a propaganda campaign to convince the student population they were correct in claiming Israel is a racist state and JSU-Hillel, in maintaining the right to promote Israel, was guilty of racism and therefore had no right to campus facilities.

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Born to an Orthodox family in the small town of Lanowce in the Ukraine, Sam Pacht attended Hebrew school and grew up in the environment of the Zionist Youth Organization.

During the war, Sam served in the Russian army fighting against the common enemy, Hitler.

It was in Russia that he found his two brothers whom he had not seen for three years and did not know if they were alive or not. In 1944, they escaped from Russia to Poland, and from there to Germany. Then, in 1948, Sam came to Canada.

Sam settled in Toronto, where he met his wife, Rose, and married her that same year. Except for one brother and sister, Rose had lost most of her family during the Holocaust. Through this time period in Germany, she lived as a non-Jew on false documents until the liberation.

Sam has been a builder for the past 30 years. He and Rose will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary this year on Dec. 5, together with their four children, two daughters-in-law and their grandchildren.

Sam and Rose are members of the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue. Rose is also a member of Akim.

For the tribute evening, Michael Rosenberg will serve as dinner chairman, and James Graff as the associate chairman. The guest speaker will be Dr. William Korey, an authority on Middle East affairs.

Wolf Blitzer, 3rd from right, seen with, from left, James Graff, Sam and Rose Pacht, Michael Rosenberg and Max Feig. [Dave Whittaker photo]

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Determined swimmer sets sights on Maccabiahs

sports scene

By GARY COHEN

Sitting comfortably in the bedroom of his Willowdale home, 16-year-old Jory Bocknek's muscular frame is surrounded by a multitude of ribbons and trophies that silently celebrate his career as a swimmer.

In conversation, he suddenly leans forward, clenches his fists in an earnest gesture and makes a proclamation that will guide much of his life for the next two years. "I want to win the Maccabiah Games," he insists, "and I'm going to win the Maccabiah Games. There's no two ways about it. I will."

The utterance makes you want to stand back and admire the young swimmer's confidence and determination — especially in light of his personal history. Because, despite his years, Bocknek has already been exposed to the dark side of his rigorous sport. At the age of 12, he found himself an early victim of competitive burnout.

"I started swimming when I was 8," Bocknek recalls, "and kept on going because it was fun and I loved to do it. But by the time I was 11, it was no longer fun. You always had to win and you'd train twice a day — starting at 5 o'clock in the morning — even in the winter, which I especially hated. And I got burned out because it just wasn't that you had to win and enjoy it — it was win and win very well.

"I had no life outside of swimming at all," he continued. "I didn't even go to a party until after I quit. I liked to ski, but I couldn't do that because I always had meets and practices to go to. I couldn't play after school, because all I had time for was to come home, wolf down as many cookies and drink as much milk as I could, go to workout, come home, eat my dinner, do my homework and go to bed."

Finally, after one particularly grueling workout, Bocknek decided to throw in the towel and start enjoying life away from the confines of the swimming pool. Since then, he has evolved into a veritable "homme orchestre." A grade 12 student at Newtonbrook Secondary School, he has been involved in various theatrical productions, is an accomplished saxophone player in a variety of bands and has developed the social life he so sorely missed.

The break has also had a beneficial effect on his sthletic aspirations because, most important, Bochnek decided to join the school swim team. Coupled with a new competitive attitude, intercollegiate swimming has given Bocknek the confidence he needed to once again lead him to consider swimming an integral part of his life.

Realizing that he still had the ability to power his way down the racing lanes, Bocknek successfully concentrated his efforts on winning several races at major school meets. Then, five months ago, he started to train with Bill McDonald, the driving force behind the powerful York Mills Collegiate swim team which has had an 11-year stranglehold on the North York championship title.

Under McDonald's tutelage, Bocknek has slowly started to regain his top form. A specialist in freestyle sprints, he has already managed to shave a phenomenal two seconds off his racing times in the 50- and 100-metre events — an enormous improvement when one considers that mere hundredths of a second often separate winners and losers in the pool.

Bocknek's new-found success has also moved him up in the national rankings. At a summer meet held at Brock University in St. Catharines, he swam well enough to qualify for the Division II category (two notches below the national team plateau). Of as much significance as making the Division II level, though, is the fact that Bocknek took the pressures of competition in stride.

"The whole year's training came down to a 50-metre freestyle — one length — to make Division II," he says. "I got to Brock at 3 in the afternoon and I didn't swim until 9 that night. I figured I had nothing to lose and everything to gain and I just made the cutoff time (26.7 seconds)."

Bocknek's actual approach to racing is an interesting combination of outward calm mixed with frenetic energy. Whereas some swimmers find it necessary to get "angry" during their pre-race psychological preparation, Bocknek maintains a thinking man's approach before and during the race.

"Before a race I really work myself up almost to a frenzy on the inside," he says, "but outside I'm calm. Because if you're calm you make fewer mistakes.

"When I'm on the block, I'm not even thinking anymore. I'm totally blank. I'm thinking 'go.' I'm waiting for any sound that resembles the gun to get me off the block. Because of that I've got a fast start.

"From then on my body switches to automatic — it's basically going on its own and I'm only thinking about a few things — my turn, kicking. But I don't think angry until the last 20 metres when I put my head down and go for the wall. And it's not so much in anger as in need," he elucidates. "I have to do it."

Presently, Bocknek, who is hoping to obtain a swimming scholarship from a west coast university so he can study to be a marine veterinarian, is balancing his work in the pool with his studies.

The advantage of going to Newtonbrook is that the semester system used there will allow him to finish his school year in January of 1985, thus giving him six months of intense, uninterrupted training before the Maccabiah Games.

And while the road to the Games will be a long, hard journey, Bocknek's continual progress, mental conditioning and new outlook should leave him well prepared to experience the taste of victory.

"And it will be sweet," Jory Bocknek says with a smile. "Very sweet."

(Sports Scene extends thanks to freelance university sportswriter Elissa S. Freeman for the preceeding feature).

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While sharp goaltending and solid defence have produced an unusual number of low scoring contests in the opening weeks of the B'nai B'rith hockey league season, some shooters seem to have solved the mystery of putting the puck into the net.

Rick Lascow of the B Division Forrestdale C club is a perfect case in point. During a week of action that produced two shutouts and nine games in which both teams combined for only six goals or less, Lascow went on a 4-goal, 1-assist tear to lead Forrestdale to an 8-3 drubbing of Canyon D.

Max Kasman, Howard Geller and Rob Hill added three assists each in the game to fuel the Forrestdale attack, while Leslie Krabitz replied with two goals for Canyon.

Elsewhere in B Division last week, Levin Gilbert tallied the go-ahead marker as Toronto Freedom F downed Don Mills B 3-1; and Murray Covent counted the winner on a setup from Jeff Gordon to lift Toronto Freedom D to a 3-2 win over Toronto Freedom E.

In A Division games, Jeff Fruitman scored a pair as Canyon A dumped Toronto Freedom C 5-1; Marvin Kurz notched the shutout as Forrestdale A blanked Canyon B 2-0; and Morrie Frydberg was flawless between the pipes to lead Toronto Freedom A to a 2-0 victory over Toronto Freedom B.

In a busy C Division, Rick Birkan counted twice, including the winner, as Toronto Freedom J upset Toronto Freedom H 4-3; Steve Noyek scored three goals in a losing cause and Marc Fishman and Dobbi Stojsic replied with two apiece as Don Mills C doubled up on Mixed A 6-3; Forrestdale D skated past Maccabiah C 5-1; and Ronny Jacobs potted the tying marker as Toronto Freedom I came from behind to earn a 1-1 draw against Toronto Freedom G.

Later in the week, Larry Lerner had two goals and David Davidson added a pair of assists to help Don Mills C subdue Maccabiah C 4-1; and Canyon E edged Toronto Freedom J 3-1.

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North of the 401

Markham, Vaughan lead the way

North grows as homebuyers seek more for less

By
HILARY HORLOCK

As the cost of housing rises in Toronto, with land prices spiraling to enormous heights, the trend northward by homebuyers, desperate for more affordable housing, has led to a steady growth for communities such as Vaughan, Markham, Thornhill and Unionville.

Toronto Homebuilders' Association executive vice-president Dave Stuppart says he's not surprised at the popularity of Markham and Vaughan, citing their "good transportation, shopping and recreation facilities, and their affordable house prices."

Government incentives in the form of grants and interest-free loans played a major role, he maintains, in sparking the surge northward.

"Most of the developers up there have been building on smaller lots with a smaller square footage, making the houses more affordable, and therefore attractive to younger buyers. The confidence factor — stable interest rates and a renewed faith in the economy — was largely responsible for bringing out the buyers, helped along by government incentives," said Stuppart.

He described the Vaughan area as "very active" in development, with a large number of developers offering industrial, commercial and residential land for sale.

Toronto Sun business editor Garth Turner described the area north of Steeles as "one of the best and fastest growing markets in the city" at a recent real estate seminar.

Stuppart agreed with Turner's assessment, pointing to the extension of grand trunk sewer services to the Aurora/Newmarket area, making it more attractive to developers.

"That whole area is now ripe for development. It is close to Toronto for commuting, but is far enough north to retain some country flavor," said Stuppart.

Bramalea, Costain, Runnymede and Monarch are among the major developers in a field of over 20 firms involved in the area. Kim Phillips, land development manager for Costain Limited, said the progression northward was "natural," and predicted it would continue for years.

"That was a good market for us. (Costain has completed developing its 100-acre plot of land which ran north of the railway lines west of Bathurst.) The land was bought years ago because we saw it as a potential growth area. If you've done your homework, you will do well.

Jerry Chenkin with daughter Jennifer and son Jordan, enjoy walk in one of North Metro's many new subdivisions. [Ben Lechtman photo]

"Development there will go on for years. It is a planned community — one which appeals to buyers. The city centre at Bathurst and Highway 7 is only just now being developed."

More than planning, Monarch sales agent Nancy Gunn cited "community spirit" as a major reason buyers are flocking to the developer's Bridle Trail community in Unionville.

"A lot of thought and effort went into the type of community we wanted to create before we even dug a hole in the ground. The area promotes a feeling of 'belonging' and that's a big selling feature," claimed Gunn.

Homes in the Markham/Vaughan area sell for between $80,000 and upwards of $300,000. The Bridle Trail/Unionville areas appeal to the middle and upper income groups, with prices starting around $165,000.

Runnymede Development, which is responsible for the Spring Farm area in Thornhill, won the Toronto Homebuilders' Association Grand Sam award for sales presentation. The area is currently a "hot property," selling over 800 homes in the past two years.

The flagship selling feature of the development, a $7 million community centre, is nearing completion. A further 1,200 homes are slated to be built over the next three years, proving the company's faith in the appeal of the area.

The result of almost 20 years of planned development can be seen in Bramalea's community of Unionville.

"Unionville is the jewel of the area. It is a high growth area with lots of potential. Its appeal lies in the fact that it resembles a small town, even though it is in a large municipality with plenty of transportation and shopping facilities," said Victor Lind, manager of land and urban development for Bramalea.

The major reason for the village's appeal, he says, is that it has been growing at a consistent rate with a new plan, conceived to grow from the main street upwards. "This is good," says Lind, "because development is not tied to an old, outdated plan."

He described the village as the "Niagara-on-the-Lake of the Toronto area," because Bramalea has kept the antique shops and old Victorian architecture to flavor the area. The new library, now under construction, is being built in the old Victorian style with two-tone brick.

Bramalea has just donated 100 acres of valley land to the village which will be turned into nature trails and bike paths that will "make Meadowvale look rinky dink," says Lind.

The key to the success of the areas north of Metro would appear to lie in their planning. The recession has meant that home buyers have less cash at their disposal and are now looking at home improvements with a critical eye.

Developers have had to offer more for the money to attract buyers, and one of the key selling points cited by all the major developers is the planned aspects of their communities.

Synagogues sponsor many

Variety of schools satisfy any parents' wishes

It's hard to say which came first to North of Metro, the synagogues or the schools. But one thing is certain: Jewish parents now have a wide variety of afternoon and day schools from which to choose.

Most of the afternoon schools are sponsored by the local synagogues while others are run independently to support the ever-growing population on the outskirts of the city.

Some day schools are branches of long-established schools; others are latecomers to the day school scene.

Many Conservative synagogues sponsor religious schools, open to the community. They meet two or three times a week after school and Sundays.

Beth Tikvah's school on Bayview Ave. started 18 years ago and now has 500 youngsters from kindergarten to grade 10. Half of them are children of non-members.

The B'nai Avraham Synagogue in Markham-Unionville started out with a handful of children and now has 32 students.

Shaar Shalom afternoon school is located at Zion Heights Junior High near Leslie and Finch. Enrolment is now 385 children, aged 3½ to 13.

Shaarei Haim in Richmond Hill has more than 100 pupils up to grade 6 in classes at the Ridgevale Community Centre. As newcomers to the religious school scene, they are proud that their 4-student team won the 1982 Bible contest for afternoon schools sponsored by the Board of Jewish Education.

The new Beth Ami Synagogue in Newmarket emanated from the desire of Jewish parents in the area to have a local school. Already 19 children meet every Sunday morning for classes.

Another newcomer to the afternoon school scene is B'nai Shalom, north of Bathurst and Steeles. More than 60 children are now enrolled and it is planned to have classes from kindergarten to bar mitzvah.

Reform temples sponsor religious schools, but Temple Emanu-El restricts its school to the children of members.

The Solel congregation in Mississauga has 270 children in its religious and Hebrew schools. Religious school runs from nursery to grade 10 while Hebrew school starts at grade 4.

Har Tikvah runs a school in Bramalea, east of Brampton. Thirty-two children from kindergarten to grade 9 meet twice a week.

Solel and Har Tikvah both welcome children of non-members.

The Temple Har Zion school has 450 children, but is limited to children of members in order to facilitate its program. The school meets on Shabbat morning and is taught by members of the congregation.

Parents may teach, learn and pray at the temple while their children are in school. The services thus become an integral part of the religious school and adult education programs.

Two independent schools have existed in North Metro for some years. Eitz Chaim, a long-established day school, started out as an afternoon cheder. It has continued to offer an alternative afternoon school program to the community at various locations.

In 1966, when the Willowdale branch at Bathurst and Steeles was opened, Eitz Chaim started an afternoon school there. Almost 140 boys and girls aged 7-15 now attend classes.

The Ohalei Yosef Yitzchak School has two branches: one at Bayview and Steeles and the other at Bathurst and Steeles. Started in 1974, it now has 200 students from a wide variety of Jewish backgrounds. This school ranges from kindergarten through bar mitzvah.

Ohalei Yitzchak is now introducing computers into the school program, with Jewish games and quizzes.

The United Congregational Schools are independent. They were sponsored in 1974 by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda and Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Conservative congregations, which continue to support the schools.

One at Don Mills at Steeles, opened in 1979, now has 260 pupils; the

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A kindergarten class enjoys a lesson with the teacher at Shaar Shalom School.

More to come

This is the first of two reports on the booming North of 401 area and the astounding growth of the Jewish communities and institutions in that area — in and beyond North York.

We have tried to make these reports as comprehensive as possible, but there are many noteworthy stories still to come. Watch for them in the future.

North of the 401

Something for everyone

Large or small, shopping centres strut their stuff

By
TAMMY KAROL

Forget about shopping at the Eaton Centre if you live in Markham, Vaughan or even the lower end of North York.

Downtown-based department stores and supermarkets are expanding into the northeast sector of Toronto at an increasing rate and chances are there's a major centre around your area.

Residents in Markham, for instance, are served by three large malls — Markham Place, Thornhill Square and Markville Centre — two of which were built in the last two years.

Markham Place, at Don Mills Rd. and Steeles, has over 45 stores and services including a Miracle Food Mart and Sears. In addition it has two banks, a law office, dentist and optometrist offices, a chiropractic centre, music school, weight control centre, two insurance companies and an accounting firm.

There are also a number of women's clothing shops ranging from Irene Hill and Kevel Fashions, which specializes in bridal wear, to Fairweather and Little Lords and Ladies — strictly a kids' shop. Not to be forgotten are book and gift stores, a travel agency and eateries including Coleman's Restaurant and Tavern.

Markham Place, built in 1977, is owned by Markham Market Place, a consortium of its managing partner Trizec Equities.

Further west of this mall, the Markham community is served by Thornhill Square. This centre, at the corner of John St. and Bayview, opened in August 1981 and has over 65 stores and services. The 270,000-square feet mall includes two levels of stores, a Dominion supermarket, K-Mart, a 6-storey office tower and three Odeon cinemas.

Lower floors of the office tower are occupied by medical/dental offices while the top floor is occupied by the Eaglebrook Group, developer of the mall.

About one-third of the centre's stores are small independent fashion shops carrying moderate-priced women's, men's and children's clothing. There's also a whole variety of gift, furnishings, jewelry, shoe and other stores.

The largest of the three malls in Markham is Markville Centre at the corner of McCowan Rd. and Highway 7. It was developed in 1981 by JDS Investments and has over 132 stores and services including Eaton's, Woolco, Marks and Spencer, and Miracle Food Mart.

Fashion takes centre stage at Markville. Women's clothing stores range from the high-

An inside view of Markville Centre, one of the largest shopping centres north of Metro.

priced Lipton's to Liz Porter (for big women), Caryl Baker Visage and Lilianne Lingeries. Men can choose from Big Steel Man, Jack Fraser, L'Uomo, Tip Top Tailors and Gentleman's Court. For youngsters there's Kids World, Fashion Town, Baby's Room and Healthtex.

To promote its fashions this fall, Markville is hosting the Special Moments Craven A Fashion Show from Oct. 25-29. Featured will be the designs of Alfred Sung, Michel Robichaud, Debora Kuchme, Pat McDonagh, Tamara Alexis, and Wayne Clark.

Besides serving as a fashion centre, Markville houses many home entertainment, drug, jewelry and furnishing stores. There are also banks and fast food terminals such as Country Style Donuts, and Fasta Pasta. Growling stomachs could also opt for Italian dining at Marcellos, an English pub called Carpenters Arms and Canadian style cuisine at Goody's.

According to the Markham's planning department, Markville is still in the growing stages. An addition of 350,000 square feet of retail space is expected to go up in the mall within the next two years. The expansion will include one major department store and 75 other stores and services.

Besides the expansion at Markville, there is also development slated for smaller shopping centres in Markham.

This summer, for instance, the first phase of Bayview Hills Mall was completed at Laureleaf and Bayview, two blocks north of Steeles.

Current stores include Winners — a fashion discount store with a main branch at Lawrence Plaza, Sparkarama, a kids' candy/variety store, D'Antonio Hair Salon, Eugene's Shoe Clinic, Cadet Cleaners, Video Station, and Arny's Shakes and Bakes, an ice cream/cookie/muffin store.

When completed the mall will have some 20 stores and services.

Its developer, the Commercial Development Group, is negotiating with a large family chain restaurant to locate in its facility.

As well, the group has rented space to a wool and yarn shop and hopes to draw in a number of banks, shoe stores, drygoods retailers, and specialty food shops.

Office space is also planned to hold a dental office, the State Farm Insurance Co. and the Winston School (tutorial classes are held for math, etc.).

Also scheduled to open in Markham on a smaller scale is the Bishop Cross Shopping Centre at Don Mills Rd. and John St. and a plaza at Kennedy Rd. and Dennison.

The Bishop Cross Shopping Centre will include Harvey's Restaurants, Tastefully Yours Appetizer and Kosher Style Goods, John Vince Foods, Video Pix, Harry's Restaurant and Nosh Gallery, Baskin Robbins, a dentist's office and Safeguard Real Estate.

The Kennedy Rd.-Denison St. plaza has not been approved yet by Markham township but should have no problem going through, according to one planning department suprevisor. It would be 15 acres in land area and would comprise a variety of stores and services but no department stores.

Vaughan has no large malls but it has a number of smaller shopping areas which are adding new shops.

Across from the Yonge-Steeles Town and Countrye Square, for instance, is the 5-year-old Steeles Square Complex (180 Steeles Ave. W.) which boasts 32 stores and services. It was built by Steehild Investments and includes Jeans Galore, Gerry Goldblum Fashion Boutique, Limur Boutique (cosmetics), Regina's Dairy and Appetizers, Mister Bagel and Swiss Chalet.

New fashion stores for women are Great Shapes (active wear, fitness-oriented clothes), Suzy Q, and Pickles N'Ice Cream (discount maternity). For children there's Squirts for Kids — kids clothes up to youngsters age 6.

Steeles Square also houses Airlift Limousine, a bath and towel shop, a gift shop, a jewelry store, a pet store, a travel agency and offices for doctors/dentists, real estate firms, accountants and lawyers.

East of Steeles Square from 74-86 Steeles Ave. you will also find a new small shopping area which was built five years ago by Scottish Trading Inc.

The four shops there today are Justin's, a discount clothing store for women, Moore's Suits and Ties, a discount clothing store for men and boys, Steeles Camera, and Watch Me Grow, a furniture store.

According to Vaughan planning department, some 29 stores are scheduled to be developed in plazas along Yonge St. between Steeles and Highway 7. Also watch out for new shopping areas north of Steeles on Bathurst.

A major mall known as the Thornhill Town Centre is planned for the southwest corner of Centre St. and Bathurst. Construction is to begin sometime in 1984 and completion is set for 1986.

The mall, comprising 150 acres, (600,000 square feet) is a joint project of the Glen Group and Cadillac Fairview and will include two department stores, a supermarket, commercial space for medical offices and possibly several cinemas.

Another smaller neighborhood shopping centre is slated for the southwest corner of Clark and Hilda Ave. in Vaughan and will be under supervision of Runnymede Development.

Lou Greenbaum, vice-president of Runnymede, said this project will occupy 75,000 square feet in space and will be comparable in size to the Wycliffe Plaza at the southeast corner of Bathurst and Steeles. It will be anchored by a large supermarket and drug store, but will not have a major department store.

The centre should be completed for occupancy by fall 1984 and should include banks, restaurants, butcher shop, bakery and specialty food stores. A second level of offices will be designated for doctors and dentists.

A new plaza is also geared to go up next to the Chabad Lubavitch Centre, at the southeast corner of Bathurst and Chabad Gate. It will be known as the Chabad Gate Centre and is scheduled to open in December 1983 with some 13 stores.

The centre will include a dentist, doctor and veterinary offices.

Other facilities will be Sue's Fruit Market, Mac's Milk, North Kensington Market Creamery, Abram's Kosher Butcher, Hairafter Hairstyling, Video Flicks, Cadet Cleaners, Harry's Bakery and Nosh Gallery, Sparkarama, and Alan Ungerman Realty.

Chabad Gate Centre will occupy some 16,000 sq. feet of retail space. Parking is available for 95 cars and Bathurst St. buses will take customers right to the corner of Chabad Gate.

The northeast sector of North York also boasts a number of large shopping malls and smaller shopping centres. These include the Bayview Village Shopping Centre at Bayview and Sheppard, the Don Mills Centre at Don Mills and Lawrence, Fairview Mall at Don Mills and Sheppard and Town and Countrye Square at Steeles and Yonge.

Bayview Village was built in 1963 by Select Properties Ltd. but about five years ago the developers enclosed the centre, included more stores and added on three Famous Player cinemas. The mall now has over 80 shops.

Don Mills Centre, built in 1955, contains Eaton's, Marks and Spencer, Dominion's supermarket, two Odeon cinemas, 12 women's clothing stores and a variety of other facilities.

Fairview Mall has over 100 stores including Simpsons, The Bay, Loblaws, and two Odeon theatres.

Town and Countrye Square, initially developed in 1966 by Canadian Management Properties, boasts a Woolco, The Bay, a Canadian Tire, and three Famous Players cinemas. Two women's shops, Caleche and Brookers, opened at the mall recently and a variety shop and kids' shoe store is scheduled to be put up this spring.

Skymark Place, at Don Mills-Finch, Wycliffe Plaza at Steeles-Bathurst and Market Place at Dufferin-Steeles are also popular shopping centres in north Metro, known for their food and eating places.

Women's stores include Cherchez and Intimate Feelings at Skymark, Poise N'Ivy, Beachwear Unlimited and the 10-month old Legs Plus and Bra Boutique at the Pickle Barrel Plaza and Moda Di Oggi at the Market Place.

North York's newest shopping centre, Market Place, was opened a little over a year ago by Great Gulf Homes Developers. Current stores include A&P, Chi Chi's Mexican restaurant, a men's clothing shop, Kol Bo Kosher Gourmet Foods and Bakery, Guardian Drugs, Canada Permanent Trust and medical offices. A new restaurant is scheduled to open shortly and will be called Favours.

No new malls are expected to be constructed in the northeast sector of North York, according to the city's planning department but there is renovation and redevelopment planned at the Nortown Shopping Centre (Yonge below Finch) and at Willowdale Plaza (Yonge at Sheppard). A small mall may also be developed at the northwest corner of Jane and Finch.

North of North York in Richmond Hill, Newmarket, and Aurora there are no plans for further shopping centres as three malls already exist in these areas.

They are the Hillcrest Mall in Richmond Hill (Yonge St. at first traffic light north of Highway 7) with 103 stores and services and five Cineplex cinemas, the Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket (Highway 9 and Yonge) with over 64 stores and services and the Aurora Shopping Centre in Aurora (Yonge at Murray Dr.) with 30 stores and services.

This couple was part of a special presentation at Markville Centre.

Woman rabbi relishes time with new congregation

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

BRAMPTON —
It's a special Saturday morning at the Har Tikvah Congregation of Brampton — a rapidly growing suburban community just west of Toronto.

The rabbi, an intern from Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, is there to lead the monthly Shabbat morning service and the reading from the Torah is about to begin.

Children cluster eagerly around the scroll as it is unrolled, the older ones proud that they can recognize some of the words they have learned in Hebrew school.

There may be over 30 youngsters, but they are quiet and respectful as the clear young voice of Rabbi Julie Schwartz chants phrases written thousands of years ago.

For Schwartz, a 23-year-old in her third year of rabbinical studies, the opportunity to be in on the beginnings of a small 35-family congregation is "a wonderful experience.

"They're carving out what their synagogue life will be and how their community will develop," she told The CJN.

Rabbi Julie Schwartz. [The Guardian-Brampton photo]

Schwartz, a bright, articulate native of Cincinnati who earned a full year of college credits while still in high school, is in her second year of service with the Brampton group.

The Hebrew Union College, which trains rabbis for the Reform rabbinate, requires at least a year of internship with a congregation before ordination, but Schwartz enjoyed her first year with Har Tikvah so much that she chose to return.

She finds the one weekend a month she spends with them an intensive experience . . . both for herself and the congregation.

"It's a very full weekend, but I get lots of good food, so I keep my energy up," she jokes.

On a typical visit, she will meet with the adult members on Friday night for a discussion on topics ranging from how to make a better seder to dealing with children's questions about Christmas.

Saturday morning services give everyone a chance to participate and Schwartz feels very strongly that "people must understand what they're saying.

"I love the traditional melodies and I think it's important to pray in Hebrew, but it's also important to understand the prayers."

Fluent in Hebrew after a year spent at the Hebrew Union College campus in Jerusalem, Schwartz slips easily back and forth between the traditional prayers and English translations, sometimes pausing in the service for a brief discussion of the meaning of a prayer.

The children are encouraged to put to use what they have learned in Hebrew school by leading songs or reading from the prayer book. They're never allowed to get bored, says Schwartz, because they are either participating in the service or playing in another room during times when they cannot join in.

Involving her congregation in the service comes naturally for Schwartz. As a child in Cincinnati "I loved being in synagogue," she recalls.

She has always wanted to be a rabbi.

Although her role models were men, "it never occurred to me that a woman couldn't be a rabbi, because what the rabbi was doing could be done by anyone with the desire and the education."

The Har Tikvah congregation agrees. "I don't find any reaction to me as a woman rabbi," Schwartz says, but she is fully aware of her value as a role model for the girls in her congregation.

"I think it's important for young girls to see women doing important things," she says firmly.

She meets with the youth group on Saturday afternoons, and then again with the adults for a social evening. Sunday mornings, she is in the Hebrew school, which meets every week.

Since she cannot teach on a weekly basis, she visits various classes, and has recently begun a once-a-month intensive reading course with the two oldest girls in the congregation.

Then, on Sunday afternoon, it's back to Cincinnati, where she can relax with a very special colleague — husband Steven Ballaban, a fellow rabbinical student whom she met during their first-year program in Israel.

Information on membership in Har Tikvah can be obtained from Susan Bloom at 782-0348, and on the congregational school from Bette-Ann Golstein at 857-2104.

A school for everyone

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other at Bathurst and Steeles opened in September and already has 100 students.

No afternoon schools in North of Metro are sponsored by Orthodox congregants, because the overwhelming majority of children from member families attend Jewish day schools. Most graduates from these day schools continue on to day high schools.

In 1969, when the United Synagogue Day School on Bathurst near Eglinton needed more space, they opened a northern branch at Beth Tikvah Synagogue on Bayview. There are now 400 youngsters enrolled from junior kindergarten to grade 6.

This is a Conservative day school, traditional in content, progressive in approach and provides an integrated Jewish and secular education, emphasizing Hebrew language, Israel and Judaica.

The Reform Leo Baeck day school is located north of Finch and Bathurst. Formerly at Temple Emanu-El and Temple Sinai, it now rents premises at Kent Public School. There are 522 students attending kindergarten through grade 8 and a grade 9 class is being planned.

Associated Hebrew Schools opened its new branch at Leslie and Steeles in September and 800 students are enrolled from nursery to grade 5. The junior high school is still on Neptune and Bathurst.

The first day high school at Wilmington and Overbrook, the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto has students commuting from across the city and from outlying areas such as Oakville and Thornhill. There are 300 students attending grades 10-13. CHAT also has a special program for students with no previous day school background.

After the Or Chaim day high school for boys and the Ulpanat Orot for girls opened 10 years ago, they soon relocated to the new Jewish sections of the city.

Or Chaim moved to Almore and Faywood in 1973, offering grades 9-13 for boys only. The school has a religious-Zionist orientation, with an intensive Jewish studies program, complemented by a strong emphasis on the general studies program.

The Ulpanat girls' day high school opened in 1974 in temporary quarters and moved to its present location at Bathurst and Sheppard in 1976.

Both Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot students complete grades 9-13 in four years and most spend a year in Israel after graduation.

The development of the Spring Farm religious/education complex near Beth Avraham Yaacov Synagogue in Thornhill will alleviate a lot of commuting for day school students who live in North Metro.

Until now, students at Eitz Chaim could attend pre-school, grades 1 and 2 at either the Viewmount or Patricia Ave. branches. From grades 3-9, the boys went to the Willowdale branch but the girls had to commute to Viewmount.

With the building of a third Eitz Chaim branch in Thornhill, girls will have the option of attending classes there. The pre-school is in operation and other classes are planned for next year.

After graduation from junior high, girls attending Beth Jacob High School will continue to commute to Lawrence and Bathurst.

However, boys attending Ner Israel Yeshiva will soon be going to a new locale when Ner Israel, now at Bathurst and Finch, becomes part of the Beth Avraham Yaacov complex in Thornhill.

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North of the 401

New pride spurs young families

Once opposed, synagogues flourish across north

Five hundred oppose new synagogue near $50,000 Bayview homes.

That's the headline on a 1958 newspaper clipping, blown up, framed and displayed in the lobby of Temple Emanu-El.

The early struggles to establish a congregation are now history. The $50,000 homes are currently worth $300,000 and Temple Emanu-El has closed membership at 325 families because they don't want to become too big.

In 1958, Temple Emanu-El was the pioneer in establishing a new Reform temple on Bayview Ave., near Highway 401. Since then, synagogues of every denomination have been mushrooming in the north, east and west end of Metro Toronto.

Escalating real estate costs drove many young families to move north. But it was rising anti-semitism, a new pride in their Jewish identity, and their increased affluence that prompted young families to establish synagogues and schools in their new neighborhoods.

The Bayview "strip" was the first north metro area to be explored by Jewish groups. In 1966, Beth Tikvah, a Conservative synagogue, was formed by amalgamating Beth El and Shaarei Tikvah, two fledgling congregations already in the area.

The new building between Sheppard and Finch, at Bayview, was inaugurated in 1971 with 85 families. Membership is now 750 families and still growing. It's still a young-family synagogue, with a youth program open to the community, run by a full-time youth director.

By the late 1960s, Jews started to move north on Bathurst St. The Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society which had existed since 1905, evolved into a conservative synagogue, moved to various locations, and by 1969 settled at Bathurst and Steeles.

There were 1,700 congregants at this year's High Holy Day Services and Pride of Israel is perhaps the only congregation in Metro with its own credit union.

Orthodox congregations were slower to move, primarily because their members were committed to living within walking distance of their synagogue. But by 1967 the B'nai Torah was inaugurated at Bathurst and Steeles.

A minyan started in a private home, then moved to portable accommodation, the congregation now has 325 families and is a centre for youth activities such as B'nai Akiva, Bnos and three Shabbat youth services.

Orthodox Jews in the Leslie-Steeles area have been praying together since 1971, first in a private home and then in a temporary building on their own site. The congregation, known as Shaarei Zion/Young Israel, has recently joined the Associated Hebrew Congregation and 45 families now pray regularly in the new school building on Leslie St.

Many new synagogues start out with a few families who get together to form a minyan in someone's basement. That was the case in the Don Mills Rd. and Steeles area.

Shaar Shalom, a Conservative synagogue, moved from basement to office space for several years and acquired its own building in 1973. They now have 180 families and have started a fund raising campaign to support their planned new building to accommodate a 300-400-family congregation.

Keele St. doesn't seem a likely locale for a congregation, but when the Jewish Student Federation at York University, sponsored their first High Holy Day Services on campus in 1973, they found many Jews in the area who were interested in participating.

Some are faculty, staff and students. Most of the 450 worshippers are Jews in the neighborhood, who still have no synagogue. Services are held in the non-denominational Scott Religious Centre.

The JSF also sponsors lectures, social and religious programs for students, which are open to the community.

Two Reform temples were initiated in 1973: Temple Har Zion at Bayview and Steeles and Solel Congregation in Mississauga.

For the first five years, Solel gathered at Glenerin Hall, a former country estate given to them by Cadillac Fairview. Many of the 215-member families live in Etobicoke, Brampton, Mississauga, Oakville and Burlington.

In 1973, Toronto's first and only Reconstructionist congregation was founded, with regular services held at Hove St., near Bathurst and Sheppard. Congregation Darchai Noam now has 90 affiliated families, many of whom commute from all areas of the city. This year, they elected their first woman president, Phyllis Greenberg.

By 1974, the Orthodox Ohalei Yosef Yitzchak Congregation was established at Bayview and Willowbrook, north of Steeles. There are now 60 families who gather for services regularly at Thornhill Community Centre.

In the 19th century, Richmond Hill was a stagecoach stop on the mail route from Toronto to Montreal. By 1975, it had Shaarei Haim, a Conservative synagogue. In 1983, Shaarei Haim elected Linda Kaiser as its president, with Ellen Mondrowitz and Joanne Fisher as co-chairmen of the school board.

Temple Har Zion

Every Sunday morning, Shaarei Haim families come to the synagogue together. While parents hold services and attend adult education lectures, their children attend religious school classes.

The Reform Har Tikvah congregation boasts a woman spiritual leader, Rabbi Julie Schwartz. Initiated in 1977 as the North Peel Jewish Association, Har Tikvah has 30 members and its own religious school to serve families in northwest Metro.

Women are playing a prominent part in developing Metro's newer congregations. Marilyn Kartash was a prime mover in starting the B'nai Avraham Hebrew school and synagogue and is a former president of the congregation.

B'nai Avraham began with a handful of families in 1975, and was incorporated as a Conservative synagogue in 1978. It is still located in temporary quarters on the north side of Highway 7, west of McCowan, near the new Markville Shopping Centre. Like most new congregations, B'nai Avraham looks forward to expanding and building a permanent sanctuary.

Most of the first synagogues established in North Metro were Conservative and Reform but in recent years, the Orthodox synagogues have started to catch up.

In 1977, Shomer Israel started in borrowed premises on Rockford Rd. at Bathurst, just south of Steeles. Although membership is still only about 20 families, they had 200 people attending High Holy Day Services this year. Shomer Israel welcomes people of every background and hopes to expand into a viable congregation.

The Finch and Bathurst neighborhood has had a thriving Jewish population for many years, but no Orthodox synagogue. In 1978, the Willowdale Orthodox Jewish Congregation was started at Centennial Library and there are now 40 affiliated families hoping to build their own synagogue near Finch and Torresdale.

By 1980, the Bayview strip was ready for its Orthodox synagogue, Kehillat Shaarei Torah. They now have 100 families and their own synagogue at Bayview and Highway 401.

The new Spring Farm housing development in Thornhill at Bathurst north of Steeles acquired new synagogues in 1983. The Orthodox Beth Avraham Yaakov started holding services in temporary premises two years ago and already has 180 affiliated families. Beth Avraham has its own program for young children on Shabbat and Sundays.

There are plans for a major Jewish centre incorporating the Ohr Somayach Seminary for adult education, the new Ner Israel Yeshiva, a branch of Eitz Chaim schools, and a mikveh.

Nearby, on Mullen Drive, the B'nai Shalom held its first High Holy Day Services this year, with 500 people at Kol Nidre services. This is a traditional synagogue, with a choice of separate or mixed seating at services.

Last April, the Conservative Beth Ami Congregation was established in Newmarket, with 33 families.

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Supermarkets respond to market

More stores expand their variety of kosher foods

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

We do not need sociologists or demographic studies to tell us that there is a large influx of young Jewish families moving farther and farther northward.

From east of Don Mills Rd. to west of Dufferin St., the Jewish population pushes upward, passing Sheppard, Finch, Steeles and Highway 7, into Thornhill, Richmond Hill and Unionville.

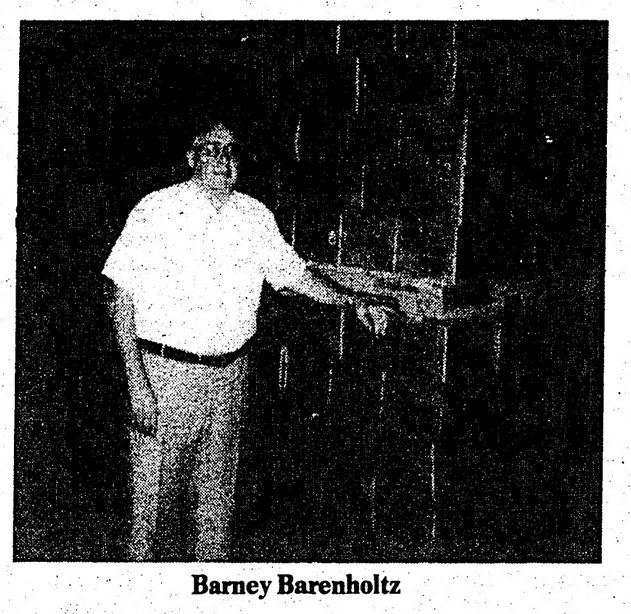
The availability of Jewish and kosher foods is a consideration for many people flocking to newly developing areas.

Barney Barenholtz of Kofman-Barenholtz, the largest importer of kosher packaged foods in Canada, says the new north Toronto communities are fortunate, as many of the chain food stores, as well as independents, carry an extensive line of packaged kosher products.

"The variety of foods they stock is constantly expanding as retailers are anxious to supply the needs of this rapidly growing market," says Barenholtz.

He says that many imported kosher products are priced reasonably. "Some products are even priced lower than locally produced foods, because the imported foods often reflect savings of mass production which our limited Canadian market cannot provide."

Among the growing number of suburban supermarkets expanding their Jewish foods sections is Miracle Food Mart. Along with their imported selection and locally-produced products, four of their northern stores have fresh packaged kosher meats under the supervision of the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth. They are at Yonge and Sheppard, Bathurst and Sheppard, Bathurst and Finch (Cedarcroft Plaza), and Don Mills and Steeles (Markham Place).



Barney Barenholtz

Sunnybrook Foods on Wilmington Ave., near Finch, carries one of the largest varieties of kosher foods available in Toronto. This supermarket also has a personal-service supervised COR meat department as well as a certified fish department.

Amongst the growing list of supermarkets which carry kosher packaged foods, and a number also have kosher frozen poultry are: A&P at Steeles and Dufferin; Food City at Steeles and Bathurst; Loblaws at Don Mills, Yonge and Steeles, and the Hillcrest Mall; Safeway on Leslie, north of Steeles and Dominion Store at Bayview and John — and the list is rapidly growing.

Miracle and A&P stores also carry a limited number of house brand products which are under rabbinical supervision.

In supermarkets and independent stores, hundreds of locally produced canned and packaged products under COR supervision are readily available.

According to Esther Schwartz, kosher cooking consultant for the Orthodox Division of the Canadian Jewish Congress, many of the name brand products are not segregated although they are kosher. These foods are not necessarily found in the Jewish foods area.

Schwartz suggests that consumers become familiar with the COR symbol, and other recognized symbols.

Dairy products are becoming more readily available in the new markets. Daiter's stores are fanning out, as are other specialty food stores. Supervised cheeses, local and imported, can be found in many stores in the new Jewish communities, and store managers say that if there is a demand, more of these products will be stocked.

Barenholtz agrees. He says that many more retail stores catering to the Jewish consumer will open, as soon as a demand is shown to the retailers. "They are looking for new markets," he says.

Kol-Bo Gourmet Foods & Bakery at Dufferin and Steeles is one of the few supervised takeout food stores in the area under rabbinical supervision. The store has baked goods as well as a variety of prepared foods which include shiskkabob, kugles and traditional Jewish dishes.

Supervised bakeries are scarce north of Sheppard. Anita Bengio Patisserie on Steeprock Drive and Isaac's on Wilmington near Finch are under supervision and a few specialty shops sell bread and pastries from other COR-approved bake shops.

Manor Kosher Meat recently opened at 662 Sheppard Ave., one block west of Bathurst. There are indications that other kosher meat markets are planning to locate in the Bathurst-Steeles area this year.

Lagging behind in the suburbs are kosher restaurants. North of Finch on Dufferin is Herschel's Restaurant and Tavern. At York University, there is a kosher restaurant and delicatessen. The Jewish Community Centre on Bathurst and The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living are both open for public kosher dining.

Barenholtz says that today, most young families have cars and freezers. This makes shopping less of a problem, as they can stock up on many kosher foods. Most retailers, he adds, cannot establish a business and then wait for customers — they must wait for the Jewish population in the new suburbs to develop, and then the stores and restaurants will go in.

According to Bob Jack, sales manager for Kofman - Barenholtz, there will be an "explosion" of kosher foods north of Steeles in the next three or four years. "Many retailers have told me that they are anxious and looking for good locations up north," says Jack.

Jack says "it is easy to be Jewish in Toronto — it is a very unique city." This is evident from the numerous awards Kofman-Barenholtz has received for distributing the largest selection of kosher foods in North America here in Toronto.

From his spacious offices and showroom on Viceroy, north of Steeles, Barenholtz says an example of the expanding market is the "booming sales" of Empire and Marvid frozen chickens, many sold in the farthest corners of the city. His enormous freezers attest to this fact.

For many of us who can recall the 1950-60 phenomenon of the opening of numerous kosher food stores and restaurants in the Bathurst and Lawrence area, Barenholtz predicts we will see the same thing taking place at Steeles, Highway 7 and beyond.

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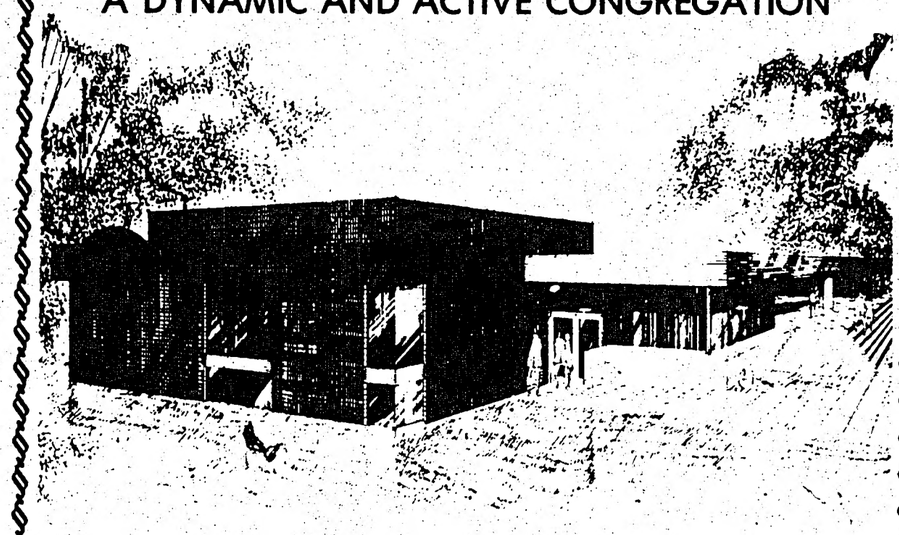

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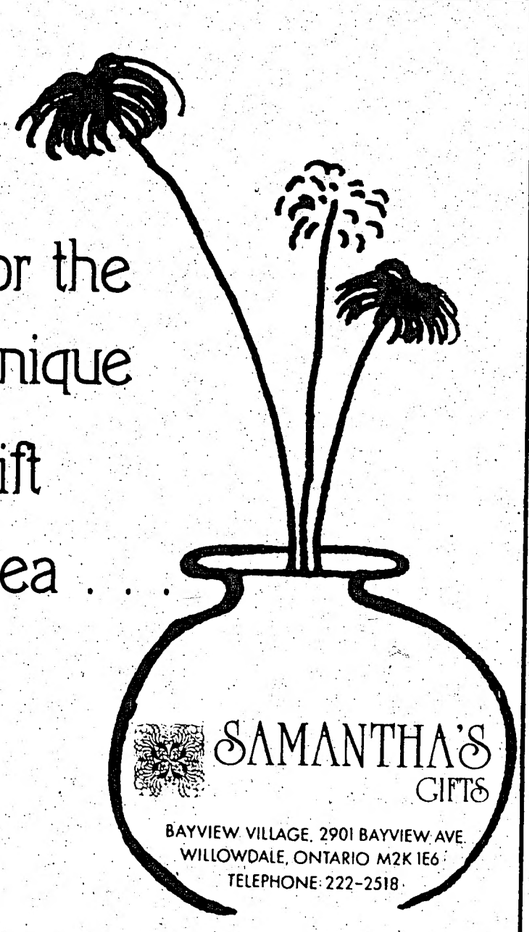

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North of the 401

Chapley sensitive to strains on small towns

Vaughan councilor prefers to do—not to watch

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

David Chapley has never liked to watch while other people did things.

In 1973, at the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, the 22-year-old psychology student at the University of Waterloo couldn't sit back and wait to see what happened.

He packed up and went to Israel to help out. The kitchen job at Kibbutz Ein-Dor wasn't glamourous, especially for "someone who had never washed dishes in his life," but he stuck it out to free a kibbutz member for the army.

He didn't let a language barrier stop him from talking to a pretty Russian immigrant also living on the kibbutz. They learned Hebrew together, and when David came back to Canada a year later, Zina came with him as his bride.

His father, Irv, was running for alderman in North York, so David jumped right in to work on his successful campaign, and all the subsequent campaigns the elder Chapley has waged during his 10-year stint on the North York council.

So when he, Zina and young son Joseph moved into a new development in the Conley area, north of Steeles near Dufferin two years ago, it was only natural that Chapley, now heading his own insurance brokerage, should get involved.

Last Nov. 8, Chapley became the only Jewish elected official in the suburban growth areas north of Steeles. In the first elections held in the town of Vaughan, Chapley won by a comfortable majority in Ward 3, which covers the southeast corner of the sprawling municipality and includes the major development area of Thornhill.

Vaughan councilor David Chapley.

Vaughan was an essentially rural area with five small towns within its borders, but in the past two years urbanization has been rapid. As one of the new residents, Chapley can sympathize with their desire for all the services they were used to, but he is also sensitive to the strains this can put on small towns suddenly pushed into growth.

"We're in the midst of development," he says. "There are neighborhoods that are only half filled. They require services but the population isn't there to support it.

A good, if unglamourous, example of the services that have to be provided is sewers. The new developments have both sanitary and storm sewers installed before any houses are built.

Older streets like Arnold Ave., which runs between two developing areas, have neither. Naturally, long-term residents want their systems brought up to par with those of their new neighbors.

"Arnold is now getting sanitary sewers," Chapley reports, but storm sewers couldn't be provided. Instead, drains to carry runoff away from the foundations of the houses are being put in.

Chapley meets the challenge of dealing with rapid change enthusiastically. "It gives me the ability to have a part in what develops," he explains. "It's new — I enjoy doing it."

Chapley estimates that about 30% of his constituents are Jewish, and as a Jew he feels he has a useful role to play in articulating certain Jewish concerns that are affected by municipal decisions.

He has been able to explain to council why Orthodox residents west of Bathurst cannot push a button to change the traffic lights on Saturdays or holy days when they are attending either of the two Orthodox synagogues on the east side of the busy north-south thoroughfare.

His explanations, the research he did on how North York has dealt with similar situations, and strong representation from local residents and the two synagogues, resulted in the installation of a swtich at the corner of Bathurst and Clark which changes the light automatically on Saturdays.

He finds his fellow councilors eager to learn about Jewish practices and "receptive" to Jewish concerns.

Vaughan holds no council meetings on Jewish holidays. Chapley can take a great deal of credit for the policy — he will not attend any civic function on a Jewish holiday.

With two more years to go in his first term, Chapley looks ahead to some of the issues he must meet. The recession has caused two major headaches as developers tried to adjust their plans to meet market conditions.

First, the development funds that come in to the municipal coffers as areas are built up, shrivel as sales slump. But homes already there need services, "and there isn't always enough money to provide all the services needed."

Secondly, land zoned for medium density has been built on as if it were low density — a bonus for buyers who prefer single family homes, even if they are close together.

But these areas abut other medium density zones, and owners are finding out that their new neighbors may be living in co-op townhouses rather than detached houses like their own.

"The question is," says Chapley, "are we getting more than our fair share of subsidized, high-population development?"

But the problems are not insoluble, and Chapley looks forward to a Vaughan that will have a projected population of 750,000 by the end of the century. [The most recent figures available, from September 1982, show a population of 36,815.]

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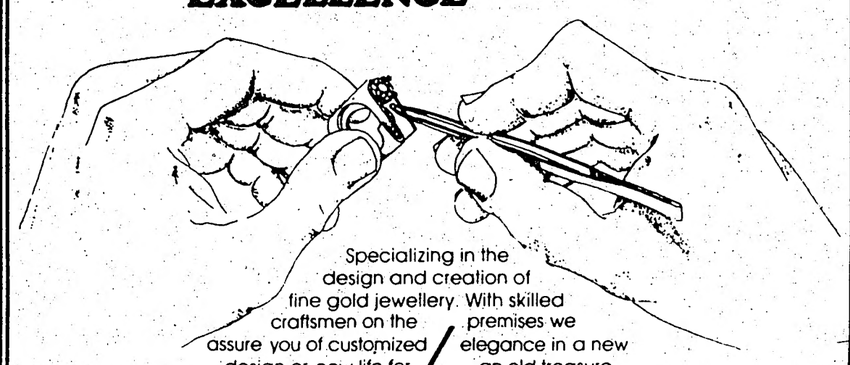

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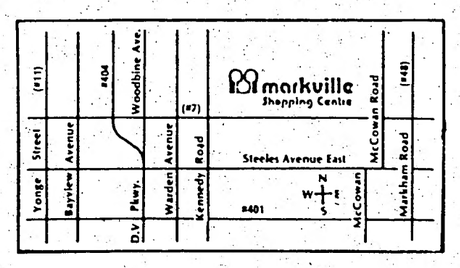

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Food no calamity at Jane's

Greeks come to Old West

By
FRANK RASKY

By now, Tom Lycos from Methoni in Greece, has learned how to greet his customers with a cordial "Shalom."

They, in turn, have learned how to say in Greek "Kalispera" (meaning "Good evening"), "Pikanis" ("How are you") and especially "Polikalo fagitto!" ("Delicious food!").

Tom Lycos serves shish kabob.

Lycos is the 35-year-old, black mustachioed general manager of Calamity Jane's Restaurant at 2375 Steeles Ave. W., near Dufferin (661-5744). And he estimates that 85% of his customers are Jewish.

Despite its U.S. name, which refers to the legendary lady outlaw who terrorized the West, the 120-seat restaurant with the stained glass windows and wall mural depicting cowboy scenes, is best known for its Greek cuisine.

Though he won't reveal the secret recipe for the wine sauce, Lycos says, "Our Jewish customers are crazy about our Greek shishkebobs — tenderloin beef, with rice, green peppers and other vegetables all for $13.50. And they're wild about our Greek-style ribs, with oregano, spices, oil, lemon, and potatoes or rice — $9.95 or $12.95 depending on the size."

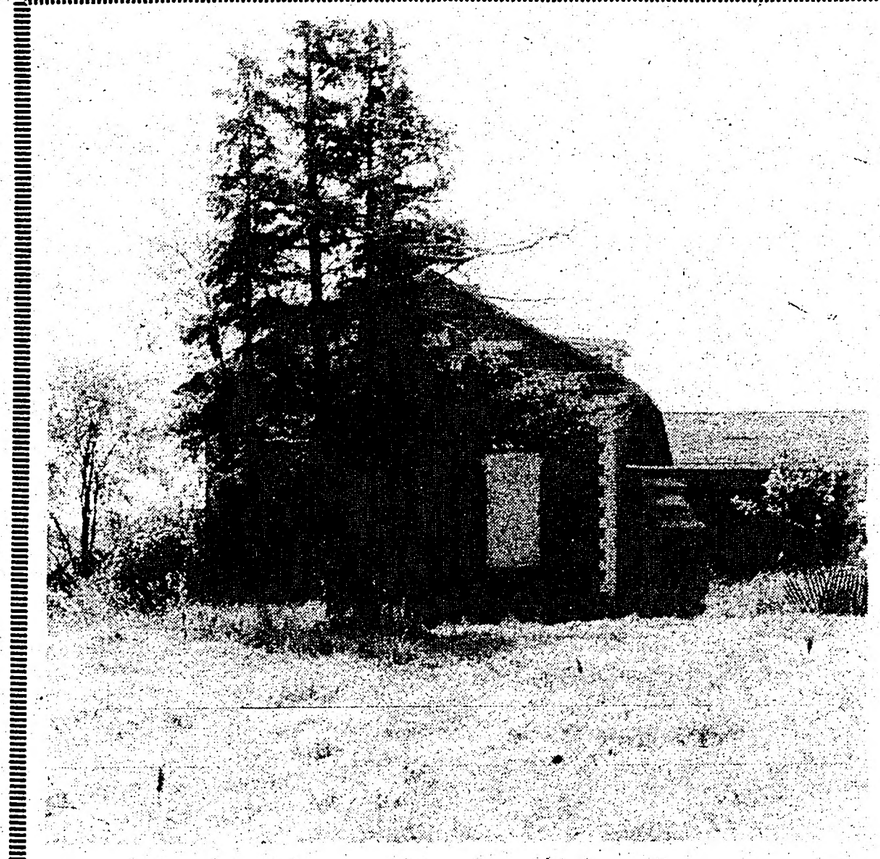
Another specialty is the Greek salad — a tangy mix of onions, feta cheese, green pepper, tomatoes, Romaine lettuce, black olives and a spicy Greek dressing. A generous $4.50 serving makes a meal for two people.

The flambeed cherry jubilee [$6.95 for two] is a popular dessert. So is the flambeed golden Greek coffee [a blend of coffee with Greek ouzo, Metaxa brandy and Italian liqueur, at $4.50].

The flaming is done at your tableside by Lycos himself. The son of a Greek fisherman, he emigrated to Toronto at 17, and for the past 18 years has been a seasoned restauranteur, beginning as a waiter at Julie's Mansion.

Calamity Jane's, with a staff of 25, opened two years ago. A lot of lush greenery hangs from the ceiling; statues of four mermaids brighten up the 30-seat bar.

"No, I haven't bothered to look up the history of this Calamity Jane lady," says Lycos. "All I know is that the great food we serve is no calamity. Our Jewish customers have learned to drink to it with a hearty 'Giassov' — Greek for 'Cheers!' "



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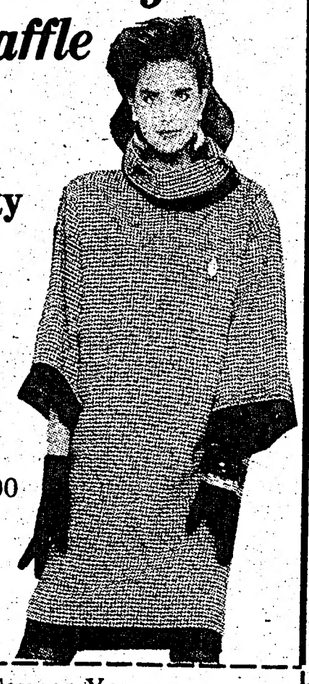

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North of the 401

A buyer's bonanza

Flourishing discount stores offer huge savings

By
TAMMY KAROL

Northeast Toronto may soon become the new Spadina Ave. as discount fashion stores steadily move into this sector of the city to service the influx of residents.

One of the newest discount stores to open in the northeast is Winners, at Laureleaf and Bayview, two blocks north of Steeles.

Winners' main store is at Lawrence Plaza, but a move to Bayview Hills Mall in August was prompted by a lack of discount store merchandise in the north Bayview area.

Half the merchandise sold is for women and the other half for children. There is no men's wear and all garments are said to be one-third to one-half off regular price.

In the Steeles-Yonge St. corridor there are also a number of discount fashion stores which have opened recently. They include Moore's Suits and Ties for men and boys, and Justin's for women. Both stores are located at 86 Steeles Ave. W. in a small centre near Town and Countrye Square.

Justin's is owned by Sidney Orfus, who said he opened a second operation at Yonge-Steeles because many of his downtown (24 St. Clair Ave. W.) store's clients were from north Metro.

Orfus' merchandise is 90% sportswear as compared to dressy items. He sells many designer labels and cuts the labels to protect his sources of supply.

Women's sizes are missy and contemporary from 6-16; there are no junior sizes.

Next to Justin's in the Steeles Square Plaza is another discount store known as Pickles N'Ice Cream, which features maternity wear. Opened two months ago, it offers 15-20% off on merchandise.

The store, run by two women partners, carries sizes 5-15 with some 17 pants.

Top fashion at rock bottom prices is the motto for Bedo's, one more discount store geared for women but which also has a small kids and men's section.

Bedo's, at 6267 Yonge St. across from Town and Countrye Square, is managed by Michelle Dawson, former manager of the Rodier Paris boutique at Bloor-Bay. The store is the brainchild of Peter Nasri, 31, who travels to Europe, New York and Hong Kong frequently for Bedo's.

Nasri buys up designer over-orders and sells them through his 10 Montreal and two Toronto stores (the other local shop is at 1384 St. Clair W.). He also designs and manufactures his own low-priced Bedo line out of Montreal and New York.

Bargain shoppers should also watch for a number of discount stores north of Steeles on Yonge.

Willy Wonderful, for example, has since 1977 operated one of its shops at the corner of Doncaster and Yonge.

Women's and children's clothing are the biggest drawing cards but there's also jeans, cords and a variety of other items available for men.

Sizes for women range from 5-14 and include a number of junior selections. Kids sizes go from infants to size 14.

Women's merchandise includes knit sweaters, suits, pantyhose and swimsuits. There are also many designer labels like Jordache, Calvin Klein and Gloria Vanderbilt in sample sizes. Costs are kept low by buying large quantities of merchandise, ends of lines, and slight imperfects.

Discounts are offered from 40-60% off the manufacturer's list price, but there's also two big sales in January and August, known as "wild weekends," where an additional 10-15% is slashed.

Bargain shopping for the entire family is available at Family Wearhouse, a discount store at 5 Glen Cameron Rd., north of Steeles and Yonge. The 6,000 square feet outlet, one of five Family Wearhouses in the Toronto area, is operated by Chaim Shuval.

Merchandise starts at 40% off and climbs to 60% off.

Shuval buys many samples, seconds (slight imperfects) and ends of lines from mainly Canadian manufacturers. There's also a designer corner which offers items at half-price. Sizes for women go from 7 to 15-16; kids' sizes range from infants up to age 12.

At 7685 Yonge St. near John, there is Creative Pantino, which has five other locations in the Toronto area.

Most of the merchandise is for women while 10% is for children and 15% is for men.

The store offers up to 60% off on regular current brand names. Women's sizes range from 4 to 20 and men's pants sizes range from 28-44.

Creative Pantino works in large volume and keeps its overhead low. It prides itself on carrying eight brand names that no other discount carries: Tan Jay, Gaytown, Hudson Sportswear, Paris Star, Clichy, White Stag, Chagall Blouse and Plumtree.

If you're looking for mid-priced, easy-care kids' clothes in the northeast sector of Toronto your best bet could be the Healthtex children's store at Markville Centre.

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Armour Chemists have a lot to shout about

In 1950, when North York was still very rural and garbage had to be burned rather than picked up, two young chemists joined forces to open a pharmacy at the corner of Southbourne and Bathurst.

On Nov. 1, the not-so-young partners, Isadore (Itz) Fine and Ralph Goldsman, will celebrate the 33rd anniversary of Armour Chemists.

They fondly recall their start when no telephones were available in the district and Armour Heights Pharmacy,as it was then called, had cards printed and distributed to the people in the area, to place in their windows.

Their driver would then go up and down the various streets and by reading the cards, would know whether the householder wanted an order or a prescription pickup.

Residents also used the store as a message depot, telling either Fine or Goldsman, "If Mrs. S. comes in, tell her I'll meet her at the corner at 4 p.m."

But as the population of the area grew, so did the business and in 1957, the partners amalgamated their pharmacy with Wohl's pharmacy on Wilson Ave., owned by Wilfred Wohl.

The three partners tripled the size of the original store, changed the name to Armour Chemists and stayed open to midnight. Because of these increased hours, many doctors and hospital emergency departments refer their patients to Armour.

In 1967, Armour Chemists Rexdale opened its doors on Islington Ave. to provide the northwest Metro area with a similar service. Wohl passed away in 1975.

Never ones to live in the past, Fine and Goldsman entered the electronic age in 1977 by acquiring a computer for Armour.

The computer stores a comprehensive prescription history of each patient, giving the pharmacist better supervision over the patient's prescription regimen and preventing duplication and harmful drug interaction.

The computer also prints out — in English, French, Italian, Portuguese and German — Rx directions to be used.

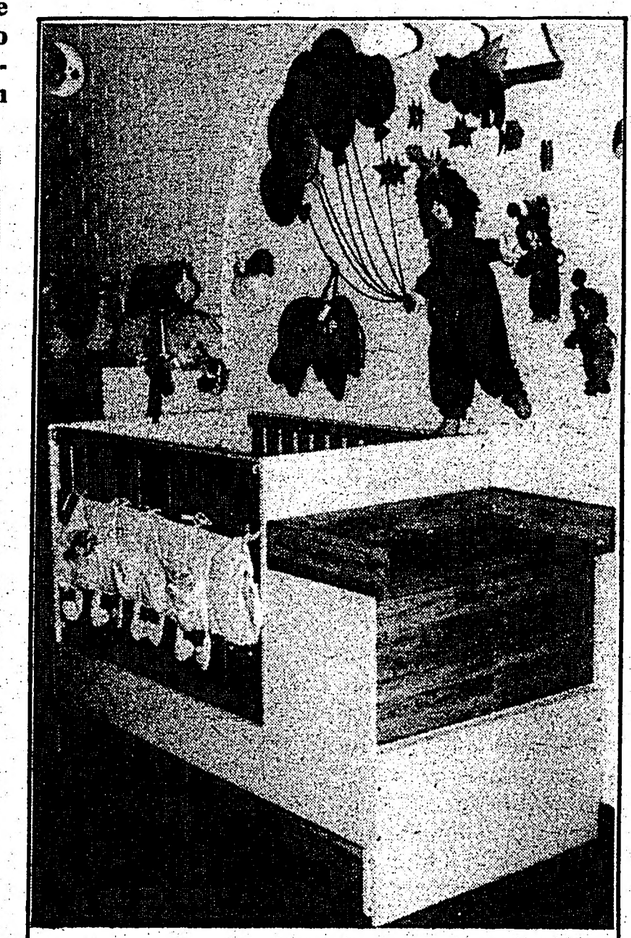
The observant Jews in the area have spurred Fine and Goldsman to a study of Orthodox medicine, and they now offer a complete line of kosher relief, for ailments from sore throats to constipation.

Passover medicine has been checked for "Passover impurities." To ease the Yom Kippur fast, liquid ammonia was dispensed (free of charge).

Both partners speak Yiddish, in order to communicate more easily with some of their customers.

Fine and Goldman are looking forward to Nov. 1 and their "open house" invitation to all their customers and friends to help them celebrate 33 years in business.

Partners Isadore Fine, left, and Ralph Goldsman.



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Residents anxiously await January opening

Thornhill recreation centre offers unique features

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

When the Garnet A. Williams Recreation Centre in Thornhill opens its doors in late January, residents may be tempted to tear up their air tickets to the Bahamas.

In a $7 million facility located on the south side of Clark between Yonge and Steeles, snow bound citizens will be able to luxuriate in a free-form swimming pool that can accommodate approximately 250 swimmers in depths from 6 inches to 6 feet. Three 25-metre lanes go through the centre of the pool, but the real thrill will come from two water slides and a Tarzan rope.

Less energetic swimmers can laze in a round conversation pool, with water kept warmer than in the large pool.

An architect's drawing of the Garnet A. Williams Recreation Centre in Thornhill.

"We believe that this facility has many features that are unique in municipal recreation buildings," says Gary Stoner, director of recreation for the Municipality of Vaughan. "The primary focus has been to provide an opportunity for family recreation."

Parents bringing their small fry to swim lessons will be able to watch their progress from a climate-controlled viewing area, and in summer, the pool will open directly to an outdoor sundeck.

The pools are only one of the features that Vaughan families will love. The centre, named for a former mayor and reeve of Vaughan township, is situated in York Hill District Park, a 30-acre expanse of rolling turf that is already a favorite recreation spot for residents.

The six outdoor tennis courts and two lighted softball fields are always busy, and children swing and climb as teens toss a few baskets in the play courts.

Hockey players and figure skaters can fly across an ice surface measuring 100 feet by 200 feet, in an arena with six dressing rooms and seating for 500. Although there will be no summer ice, off-season activities could include rollerskating, dances and private rentals, including trade shows, according to recreation department officials.

The emphasis on community use has led to the inclusion of a "multi-purpose room" for athletic activities like basketball or gymnastics, or rental for banquets. It will have a capacity of up to 400 people.

There are also three smaller meeting rooms, that can accommodate up to 100 people.

Of major importance to the young families now moving into the area are the excellent child-care facilities. Parents making use of adult recreational programs during the day will be able to leave their children under supervised care in the child care area, which includes a nursery and kindergym.

Regular day care will be offered by the Region of York, which is leasing space from the municipality.

A health club and fitness centre will also operate in the centre. It will offer memberships, but general public access will be available at a per diem fee.

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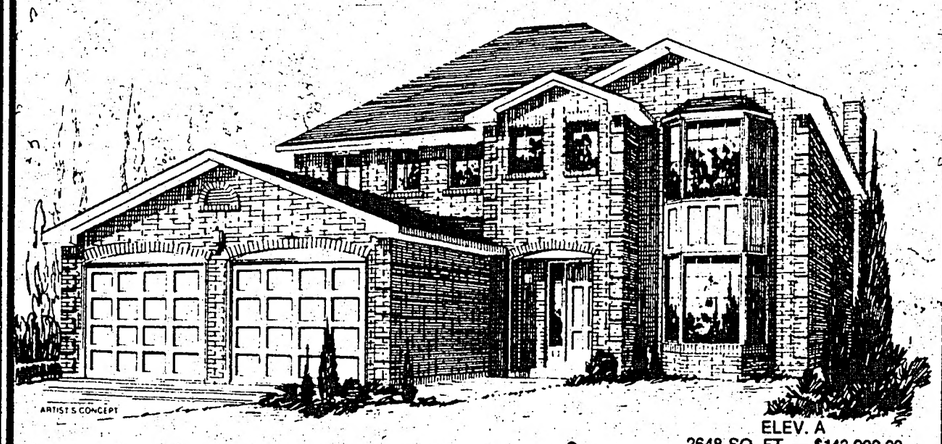

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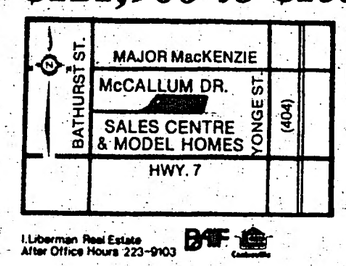

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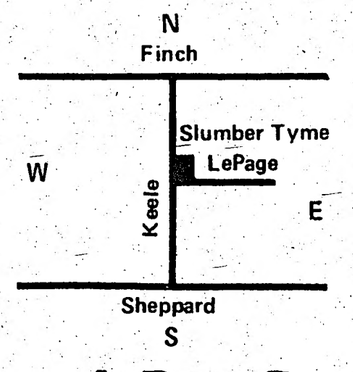

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Sweetwater added to culinary empire

Restaurateurs cite cost, quality as keys to success

By
FRANK RASKY

Wife: "At home, my husband is always complaining. Here he never complains."

Husband: "You want to know something? I hate it here . . . because here I can't complain."

That dialogue from a couple happened to take place at the Sweetwater Restaurant, which opened last month at 1108 Sheppard Ave. E. at the corner of Leslie (223-5151).

But it could have been overheard similarly at Sherwood's Restaurant at 3555 Don Mills Rd. at Finch (499-3075), which opened in June last year.

Or it could just as easily have occurred at the Shrimp Kitchen at 3443 Bathurst St. (781-7226), which opened six years ago.

All three restaurants are frequented by contented clientele and all three are co-owned by a knowledgeable pair of Jewish South African partners, Michael Adelson, 39, and Larry Rabinowitz, 36.

What's the secret of their successfully expanding culinary empire?

"We're very cost- and quality-conscious and we pass along our savings at point of wholesale purchase to our customers," says Adelson.

"We're presenting families in north Metro with wholesome, affordable alternatives to downtown dining," says Rabinowitz, who used to run a successful chain of four Long Horn steak restaurants in Johannesburg, before moving to Toronto.

They're not lining up yet at Sherwood's. But the pair feel gung ho about this 130-seat, sleek yet cozy New Yorkish-style cafe, with a decor of dark olive green, brightened with brass and vivid paintings of tropical birds.

The average dinner for two comes to $25-$30 and the house specialty is a $6.95 salmon steak recently reduced from $7.95.

Other popular specialties are the $3.55 chicken fingers (four breaded all-white slices of chicken served with a deliciously spicy taco or plum sauce dip), a savory homemade tomato soup at $1.75, and all you can eat at a 50-item fresh salad bar which includes the soup of the day ($4.95 for lunch, $5.95 for dinner, $3.95 after 10 p.m.).

A wide assortment of 15 desserts is offered at $2.45 to $2.65. Among them are a sumptuous orange wine cream cake and Swiss chocolate cream cake, both highly caloric but surprisingly, not too sweet.

The kiddies are offered a special $4.95 menu (children under the age of 2 are served free at brunch) and Rabinowitz and his three daughters dreamed up for them charming pictures to color as well as delightful corny riddles.

Larry Rabinowitz, centre, and partner Mike Adelson examine fresh fish in kitchen of Sherwood's. [Ben Lechtman photo]

At the 230-seat Sweetwater, with its sit-down bar and pink and cream decor, they're catering to a crowd of businessmen and dining sophisticates who demand what Rabinowitz calls "casual elegance."

The big draw there is the array of 25 items at the enticing bar — everything from $2.95 pates to smoked carp at $3.25.

The wine list is impressive, with prices from $9 to $18.50, and the 15 desserts, from $2.50 to $3.25, scrumptuous.

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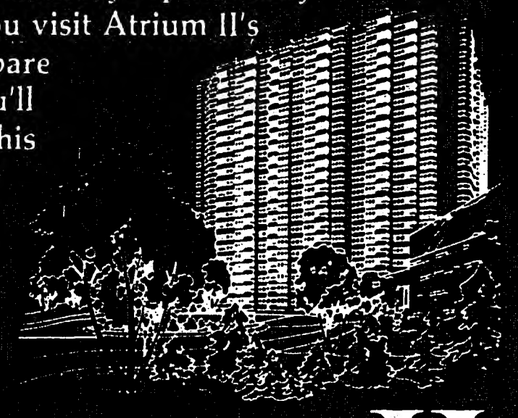

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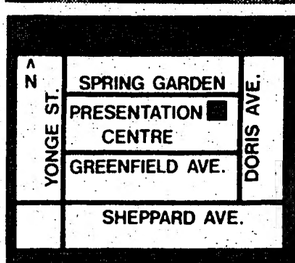

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Art dealer promotes prints to the pampered purveyors

By
FRANK RASKY

Mark Buck likes saying he's in the pamper trade.

"No, I don't mean diapers," he was saying last week. "I mean pamperers. About 70% of my customers are Jewish upscale couples who dote on pampering. They're pamperers who believe in pampering a wife, husband, baby or themselves."

Buck is a 30-year-old art dealer who operates First Impressions Gallery out of his 2-storey home at 21 Milner Gate (886-1770).

It's currently celebrating its first anniversary as the only gallery in Thornhill specializing in international limited edition signed and numbered prints.

Besides Thornhill, his regular clients are scattered throughout York Mills and the Bayview and Don Mills areas, and they tend to be relatively affluent.

His gallery, which is open by appointment only, sells limited edition prints at a price range from $50 to $1,500 unframed.

He provides personal consultation at either the home or office of clients [using art consultant Donna Kaplan] and he allows them to try out the art there for a few days before purchasing it. He offers advice on color coordination, framing and portfolios for investment.

A gifted sculptor himself, Buck is a knowledgeable art dealer, who became interested in art at Forest Hill Collegiate, has an arts degree from York University, and has a mission in life to educate Torontonians about international art.

He has exhibited his prints at the Beth Tikvah, Har Zion and Beth Emeth Synagogues. He has given talks on art to various Hadassah and Jewish Pioneer Women groups. And he currently has an exhibit on display until Nov. 28 at the Bayview Golf and Country Club.

He encourages his clients to concentrate on a certain style or subject when selecting prints.

"Too many of them choose art pieces only if the prints match the color scheme of their furniture," he says. "They don't pay enough attention to the content."

Shalom popular artist

He enjoys informing his clients about the background of the artists who come from countries ranging from Israel to Spain.

One artist currently popular with his Jewish customers is Shalom of Safed, the late Israeli Lubavitcher noted for his seemingly naive drawings of Palestinian birds, animals and biblical scenes.

He was a humble watchmaker who discovered in his 50s that his innocent vision of life was meaningful to millions.

Before his death in his 70s, his lithographs had been given 1-man exhibits by 14 of the world's leading museums. Buck sells his unframed prints at $800 to $1,000.

Another best seller is the Jaffa-born Israeli, Theo Tobiasse, who sur-vived the Nazi occupation of Paris by remaining shut up in a flat during World War II.

He retained his balance by depending upon his art. After the war, when he dared to emerge into the light, he had built up an impressive portfolio of work.

"Tobiasse has been unfairly called the poor man's Chagall," says Buck. "Their style is somewhat similar in the sense that Tobiasse's oils also show people and animals floating. But I believe Tobiasse is an individualist, with a good deal of Jewish symbolism and mysticism involved in his work."

Buck points out that Tobiasse entrusts a little "secret" to his paintings — a personal message which he writes in Hebrew and then glues onto the canvas before painting or collaging with fabric over the message. Tobiasse then completes the painting over it. Hence nobody can determine the secret prayer without destroying the painting itself.

Buck is Tobiasse's exclusive representative in Canada and sells his prints at prices from $400 to $1,000.

A Thornhill housewife became enamored of Tobiasse's style, which depicts what has been described as "the Hebraic happiness of the sad," and she told Buck she wanted to buy an original oil by him.

"They're hard to get and are worth $30,000," said Buck. "I'd be delighted to go on your behalf to Nice, where he now lives, and see if I can negotiate the purchase of a Tobiasse."

Buck remembers the lady saying, "Oh, I'll have to ask my husband about that." She finally settled for a print.

Mark Buck admires a Shalom of Safed print in his gallery.

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Eric Weisman displays cameo he designed. [Ronny Shinder photo]

The daring designer

By
FRANK RASKY

There was the bagel-lover who had him design a $500 bagel-shaped ring, sprinkled with poppy seeds of 14-karat white gold.

The corned-beef lover, who had him design a $1,200 sandwich-shaped ring, with the meat of red gold, the mustard yellow gold, and the bread crust and sesame seeds white gold.

The music-lover who had him design a $500 piano-shaped ring of rubies and 14-karat yellow gold, with a miniature piano lid that flipped open.

And there was a snake-lover from the Middle East, who had him design a $1,500 python-shaped arm band of 14-karat green gold that looked suitably menacing and magical.

They're all Jewish customers of Eric Weisman, custom designer and owner of Gold Step Jewellers Ltd. at 333 Dennison St. in Markham, near Steeles and Woodbine [474-1606].

"I gave that glittering name to my store because I'm offering my clients a golden opportunity to purchase romance when they step into my shop," says Weisman.

He's a creative and eloquent designer of 42, who was born in the Russian hamlet of Movoromanovka and learned his craft in Poland. In 1979, he and his wife, Ella, launched their retail jewelry business in the basement of their 1-storey home on Picola Court.

They did so well that, with a capital of $24,000, they were able to launch in 1981 their present 1,000-square-foot establishment in a former TV equipment store in the heart of what Weisman calls the high tech area of Markham.

Two assistant jewelers and Weisman's wife help him run a full-scale jewelry workshop and retail outlet. His pieces range in price from a $45 pair of earrings of 14-karat gold to a $1,500 pendant made of 14-karat gold with a 30-point diamond.

"I'll design anything to your taste," says the debonair craftsman, who particularly enjoys working with diamonds.

"There's something enchanting and romantic about diamonds," he says, examining one with appreciation. "But I tell my customers never to buy a diamond as a financial investment. It's an investment in love."

He also does diamond appraisals, which can be a delicate piece of business. On occasion, he has had to break the news gently to a lady that the gentleman friend who gave her a diamond gift was no gentleman, because the diamond was no diamond.

"Believe me," says the diplomatic Weisman, "it's very difficult to comfort a jilted lady who is screaming, 'Oh, that doublecrossing blankety blank cheapskate!' "

Chuck E. Cheese offers food 'n fun

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And, above all, it's the place where you'll be welcomed by the host himself, that New York-born, New Jersey-raised rat called Chuck E. Cheese.

They're all electronic robots who are part of the attraction of the 440-seat, kiddies-with-parents family restaurant that opened Oct. 8 at 2452 Sheppard E. at Victoria Park Ave. [497-8855].

It's called Chuck E. Cheese, and it's one of 250 similar franchised food-with-fun restaurants in the U.S., which originated — where else? — in California.

This one is owned by Ken T. Lilley, an industrialist who operates the MRM iron works in suburban Toronto, and for the past two years has been running the thriving Chuck E. Cheese establishment in Burlington.

He spent $1.5 million converting the 16,000-square-foot building on Sheppard, formerly occupied by an Eaton's Horizon store, into his new Chuck E. Cheese.

And, according to Todd Genton, his 24-year-old operations manager, who has been busily hiring a staff of 150 over the past eight weeks, "we're very optimistic about bringing in the family trade. Young people under 18 must be accompanied by parents or a guardian."

The food is conventional at the eatery, which has bright red, yellow and brown decor and carpeting ornamented with the garish image of the cheese rat.

The house specialty is pizza, a big one selling for $7.90 to $12. Oven-baked roast beef and cheese sandwiches, as well as hot dogs, range from $2.50 to $4. And an a la carte salad bar, containing 50 items, is priced at $2.45 — but just $1.90 if you order anything else on the menu.

The main appeal is the vast variety of coin-operated games. You get a certain number of tokens free with your meal, but you can purchase them at 25 cents each or 25 for $5.

Besides the 40 video games, there are 55 kiddy rides and fun games. There are hydraulic rides, and jump-up bouncing floor rides, and goofy games such as the ball crawl.

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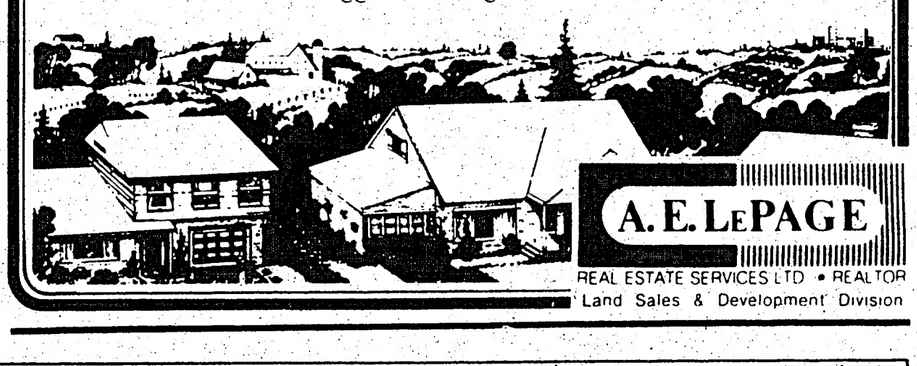


JCC leaves schoolhouse

By
BEN ROSE

The "nerve centre" of the Jewish Community Centre's northeast branch has moved from the little red schoolhouse at Leslie and Finch to the beautiful Valley location further north at Steeles.

In response to the growing Jewish population in the area, the branch is continuing its emphasis on outreach and in expanding its programs, according to Michael Silverman, director.

"For instance, we're becoming involved with the new campus of the Associated Hebrew Schools on Leslie," Silverman said. "Right now we're working on after-school programs for their students such as soccer, floor hockey, crafts and drama."

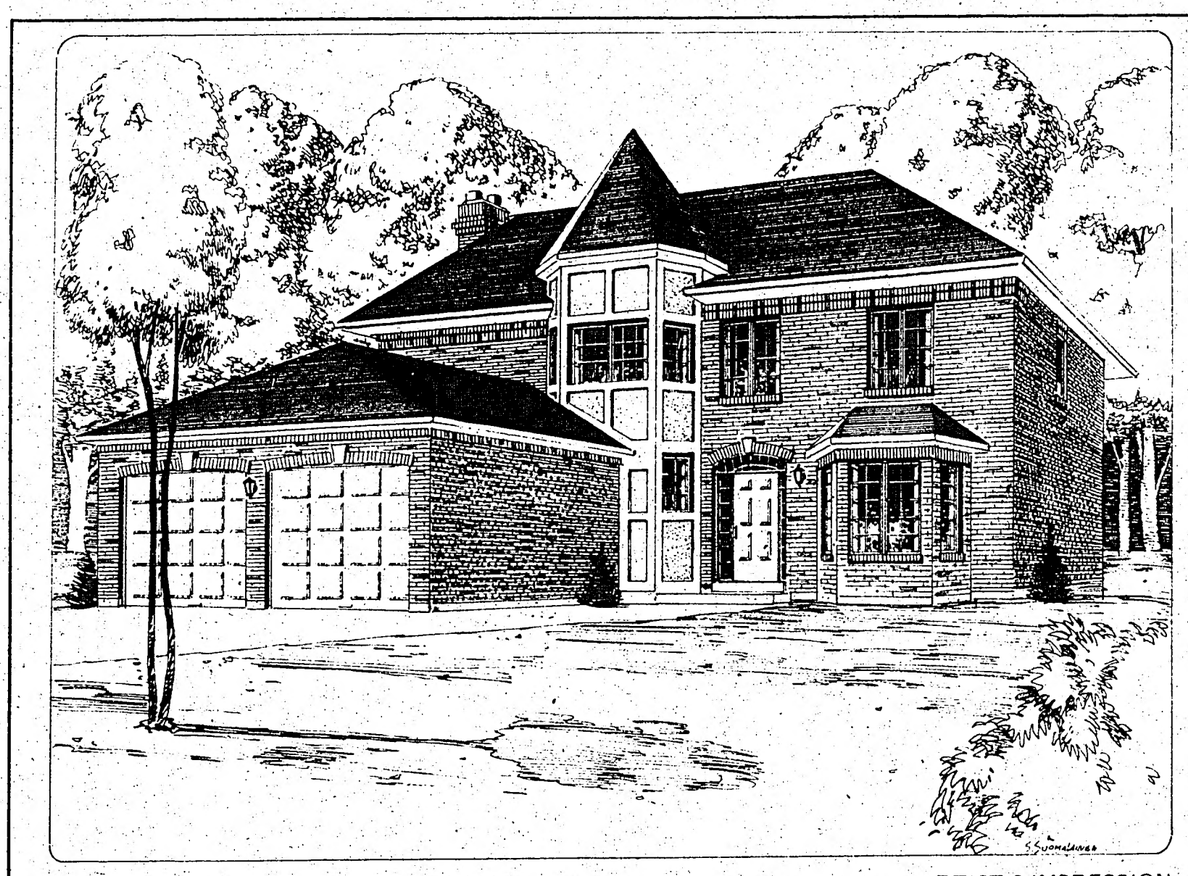
In its new location, the branch has established a nursery and a pre-school nursery, a duplicate bridge club. Beaver and Cub packs are being set up.

With its larger facilities, it has been able to put more emphasis on programs for seniors and single parents. A physical fitness class is being offered on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for the first time. Facilities at Beth Tikvah Synagogue are being used for one of its seniors groups.

"It was a very successful year for the tennis and swimming programs, with the membership holding its own," the director said. "The good weather helped."

The lecture series has also been expanded in the past year.

The staff resources now include a full-time nursery supervisor, an assistant nursery supervisor, a full time senior citizens adviser, a full-time group worker and a number of part-time people.



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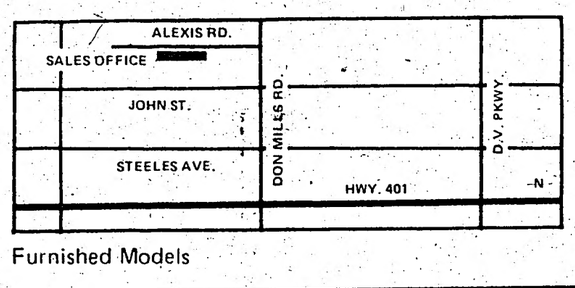

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"It's the sun of precious jewels"

The allure of pearls fascinates mom, daughters

By
FRANK RASKY

To most people, each pearl strung on a necklace looks like every other pearl.

But not to Eileen Silberzweig, 45, and her two daughters, Susan, 22, and Sandra, 24.

To the Silberzweigs, each pearl has as much individuality as a human — its own color, shape, lustre and indefinable personality.

Furthermore, they maintain, pearls have their own mystique, which sets them apart from diamonds.

"A diamond has a cold, hard, piercing glitter, like a chunk of ice or the moon," Eileen Silberzweig says. "But a pearl? Ah, it's the sun of precious jewels. It has a soft, warm glow, with an allure that never fails to appeal to me."

She spends a lot of time staring at these objects of admiration because she is the owner of Eileen's Pearls, a business which she runs out of her home at 170 Elder St., in the Bathurst-Finch area [630-1463].

With the aid of her daughters, she sells a wide assortment of the pretty baubles, which range in price from $70 for a strand of fresh water pearls, to $2,000 for an opera-length necklace of cultured pearls, which are farmed in Japan and the South Sea islands.

But what makes Eileen's Pearls unusual is that Eileen, an immigrant from Poland, is also an expert in the vanishing art of restringing pearls.

It's an art that requires painstaking patience. With her tiny tweezers, wrench, magnifying glass and other tools, she strings pearls of the same color, size and lustre on a fine, tough, silken thread. And she makes sure that a knot is tied between each of them and that the whole strand is cleaned.

She charges $10 to $20 for restringing the pearls, depending on the size of the necklace, bracelet or earrings.

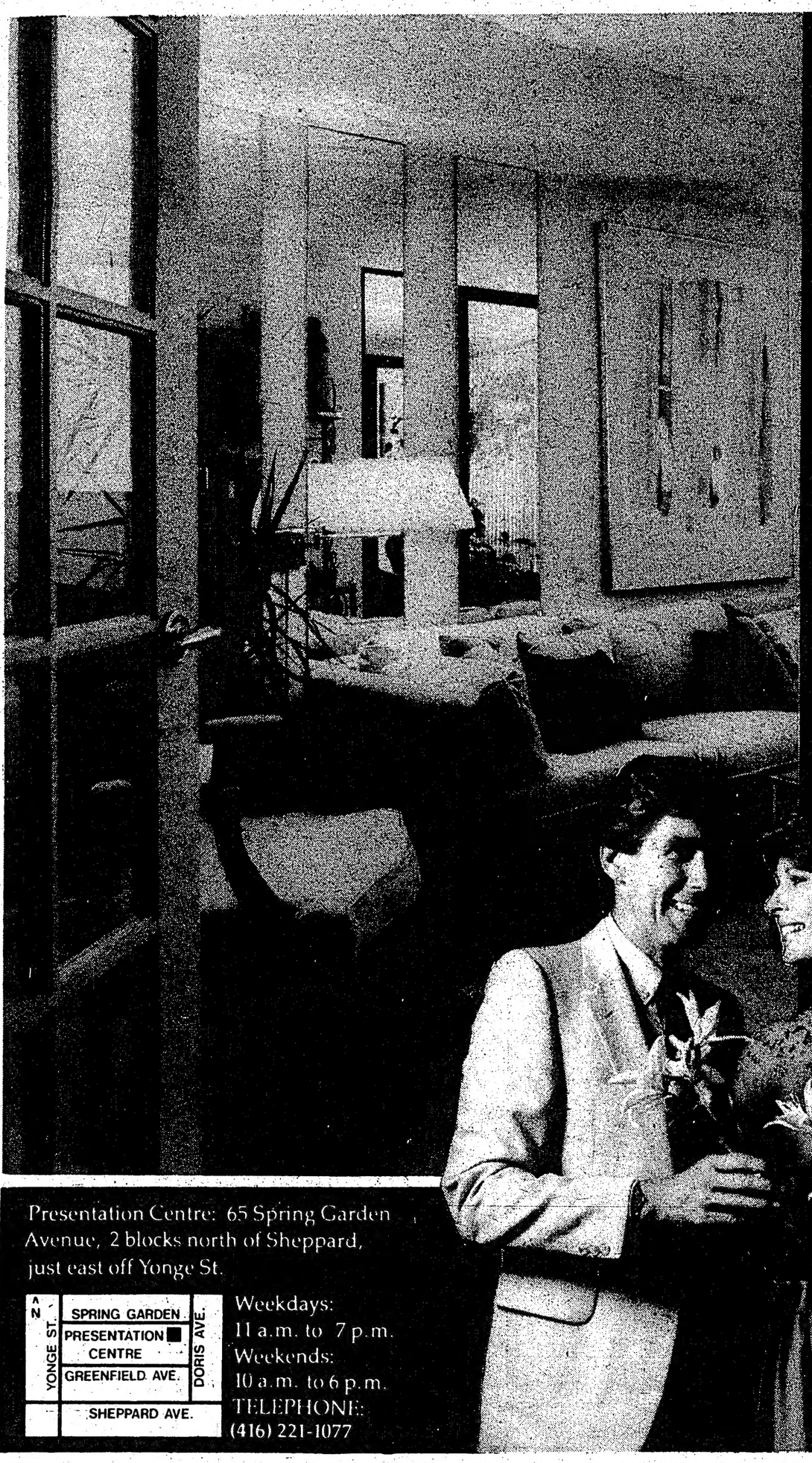
Her customers are largely friends, members of the Shaarei Tefillah Congregation Sisterhood, and people who have heard of her expertise via their friends.

She advises them to have their pearls restrung and cleaned every two years.

"Pearls themselves can last a lifetime," she says. "But they may lose their lustre because they've absorbed perfume and lotion, powder and perspiration, and they are quite porous. Also, the silken thread may wear out and get thin."

"The excitement of a granddaughter who has inherited a strand of pearls when she has seen what I have done to the heirloom," she says. 'Oh, thank you!' she'll tell me. 'You've restored the yellowing pearls to the beauty they had when worn by my buba.' "

Sandra and Susan Silberzweig show off mom's pearls. [Ronny Shinder photo]



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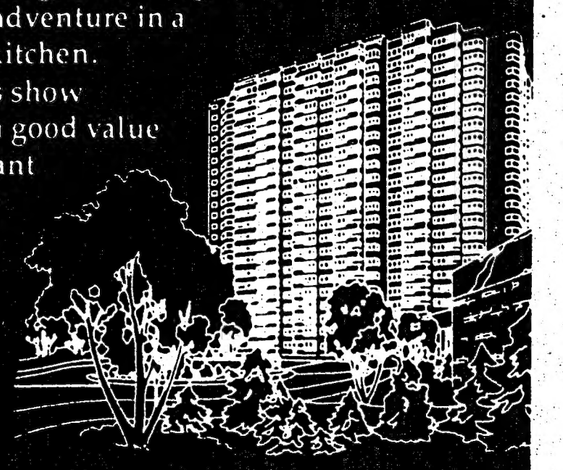

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By
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Ontario Treasurer Larry Grossman, shovel in hand, officiated at groundbreaking ceremony of The Churchill, while developers Ralph Winberg, left, and Michael Rudberg look on. [Chapman photo]

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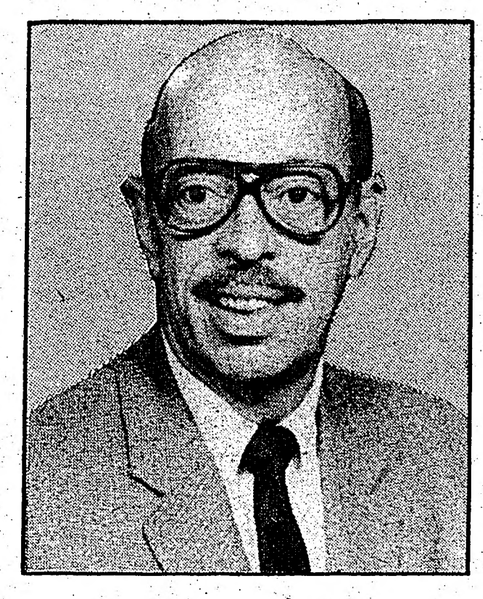

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Feds offer tax break

Furniture makers are expecting big jump in sales

By HEATHER SOLOMON

MONTREAL — Now that the federal government is allowing holders of RHOSPs to withdraw funds tax free to buy home furnishings, furniture manufacturers are expecting a $200 million increase in sales.

The budgetary move has resulted in the manufacturers taking the plunge into new designs to meet the expected retail rush and the recent 37th Montreal Furniture Market at Place Bonaventure glittered with the effects of this transfusion.

"You need something new, progressive and interesting to stimulate business," explains vice-president of R. S. Furniture Inc. Sol Lubitsch, flipping one of his Bonnie sofa beds that he deems suitable for the "pre-arthritic age" into the supine position. The strong Dacron-filled cushion bed also boasts a model with a reversible covering that, says Lubitsch, resembles an old-fashioned "pereneh" (down-filled duvet) that doubles as a comforter.

Executives aren't left out of the space-saving trend: R.S., which has its factory in St. Laurent, has designed a desk that houses under its top surface two side filing cabinets on casters that can slide out and push together to form a counter top.

The revolution, however, mainly seems to be fermenting in the bedroom (babies', juvenile and adult alike) and in chairs and sofas.

Meubles Morigeau Ltee of Montmagny, Que., creates truly inspired birchwood cribs with half ovals at head and foot; the side can be removed to fashion a toddler bed which can be brightened by bolster pillows and quilts; with the other side gone, a junior bed is created that can see a child into his 10th year. A changing table's top folds back to create a dresser.

Their look for adult bedrooms is low profile with modular wooden platforms that, with pillows, offer seating areas and without, become table space.

The innovative juvenile furnishings manufacturer Marius Ouellet, which gave its fans such a scare last summer when its parent body Radisson went under, is back in force under the wing of Shermag Inc. of Lennoxville.

The Ouellet division has retained its popular buckboard bedroom and now offers a set leading the child into the computer age: a solid oak computer desk called simply #435 until named for retail distribution in late September, says Ken Herring of Shermag.

A lap-level surface slides out for the computer unit, an upper cubby hole is designed to hold the screen with a higher closed cupboard for software storage topped by a woven inset strip that characterizes the other items of the 14-piece bedroom set.

The elegant styling can grow with a child into adulthood and adult pieces are available to match.

Les Meubles Drouin Ltee, out of Ste. Agathe, is making waves with its juvenile bedroom set featuring a bed with a tilt-headboard for reading comfort. The headboard is spring-hinged to tilt 25 degrees; a rollout bed underneath the first pops out for sleepover guests.

The sliding top of a matching desk conceals a suspension file or book storage section and accessory trays.

Baronet Inc., the perennial classicist, has a new country modern boys room with a shelf storage area behind a drip-down headboard. The bed itself is a mate's style with three drawers in the base.

Amisco Ltee. of l'Islet, Que. has invented a futon support of its now-famous steel tubing available in 15 different colors. For daytime use, the metal frame folds into a chair shape; at night the back is horizontally lowered. A living room set boasts sofas and chairs that all fold out into beds, removable armrests on velcro strips are detached for the night.

Halcyon Waterbed Co., probably the largest flotation bed manufacturers in Canada, still has the advantage over regular beds in relieving the pressure points of the body (shoulder, hip and knee) that usually cause a sleeper to shift 70 times in one night. Martin Scott, Halcyon's marketing services coordinator at the Downsview, Ont., head office (who also happened to be one of the best soccer players on Canada's Maccabiah team) points out that a pedestal distributes the bed's weight over a wide surface at only 28 lbs. per square foot — well within building code limits.

Les Freres Clement Ltee. of Trois-Rivieres has adopted the European mattress frame concept of horizontal slats and knockdown wall units that can be altered with the use of a simple Allan key.

Jean Bergeron Ltee. of St. Gabriel de Brandon, Que., amazed exhibition-goers with its Mask-it knockdown furniture. Consumers literally order a sofa in a small box and easily assemble it themselves for a fraction of the price. The canvas-covered, foam-filled ash-wood furniture with square frame sides is both comfortable and attractive in rust, cafe au lait, white, brown or tweed.

Other highlights of the show were designer Jocelyn Beaulieu's leather trim bedroom and dining sets for Henri Vallieres Inc. of Nicolet, Que., Carrier Furniture Inc.'s (Granby) chair with a back that extends down to the floor like a reflection in a pool of water, Vogel of Canada's (Weston, Ont.) elegant wing chairs, Plydesigns' soft-sag-look leather sofas and duplicates in parachute silk (Nylo-silk) at one third the cost and Le Bahutier's (St. Hyacinthe) pine Collection Belle Campagne including a sideways rocking chair that began as a gimmick and ended by stirring buyer interest, according to sales rep Daniel Pelletier.

Next year's furniture market will expand to include space at Montreal's new Palais des Congres, doubling its size and no doubt doubling its capacity for showing off the latest decor innovations.

Opal exhibit will include one of the world's largest

TORONTO — "Sting," one of the world's largest opals, will be included in the $6 million collection of more than 400 opals to be shown at Secrett, 14 Avenue Rd., Oct. 25 to Nov. 5.

Taken primarily from the Coober Pedy discovery in Australia, the collection includes some of the finest-quality black, crystal and precious opals in existence.

The exhibit and sale feature stones in settings as well as several loose stones, along with artists' rendering suggesting appropriate setting designs.

All pieces are for sale, ranging from Sting at $750,000 to 1½ carat matched pair of opals suitable for earrings at $3,000 for the stones. The collection will be shown Tuesdays to Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The finest opals exist, as the finest of anything does, in legends of a glorious past. And though many fine opals have been mined in different parts of the world, it wasn't until the discovery at White Cliff, New South Wales in Australia in 1900 that precious gem fanciers learned just how superb opals could be.

Coober Pedy is one of the more recent of the spectacular discoveries of opals in Australia, and the collection at Secrett features the finest gems to come out of that site.

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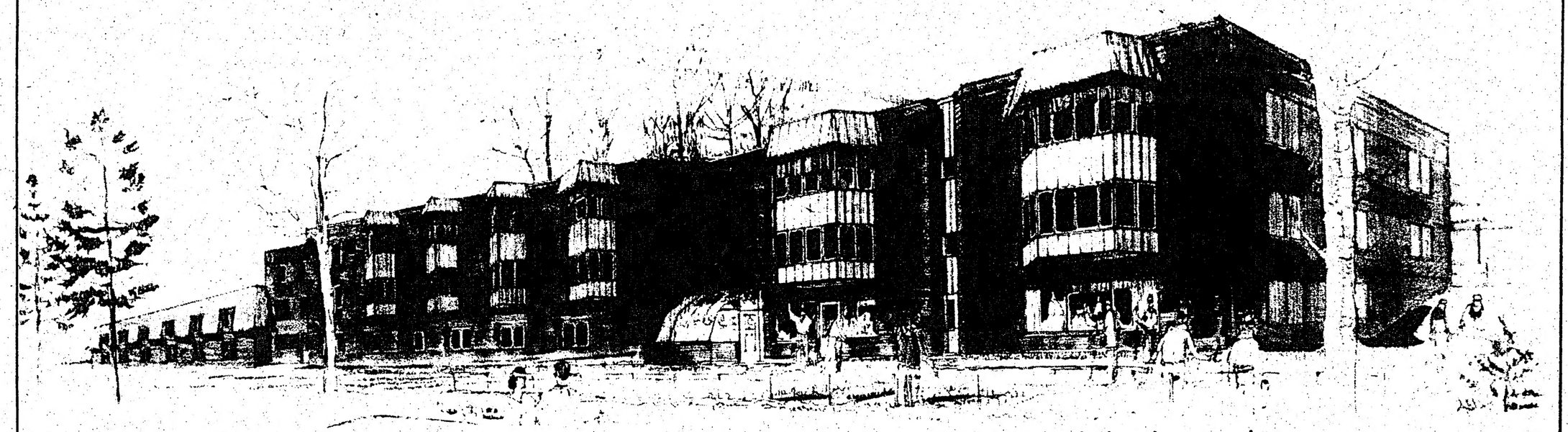

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Sperber's productions were always sellouts

Modest producer brought top Yiddish performers

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

The producer who regularly made it possible for Toronto to see the world's top Yiddish entertainment, Boris Sperber, died recently.

Modest in character, yet intimately friendly with major Yiddish actors, singers and producers in Israel and New York, Sperber, within the past few years, brought Shimon Dzigam, the master comic satirist, to Beth Emeth for one of his very last public appearances, as well as Israel's current top Yiddish actress Lya Koenig and her counterpart in New York, Mary Soreanu.

His most recent production was the sellout Minkler Auditorium mounting of the retrospective of Jewish life in America entitled The Golden Land. The significance of that show, staged here last May, was that its cast consisted entirely of people born in North America who are keenly interested in maintaining the golden Yiddish tradition.

Sperber's productions were always sellouts, disproving all oft-repeated premature epitaphs concerning Yiddish. The question however remains: with Boris Sperber gone, who is to replace him?

Sperber had the personal international contacts which made it possible to bring top stars from other places here with a minimum of logistic difficulties. For Yiddish and Jewish culture to survive, younger equivalents of Boris Sperber are needed.

A firm traveling circuit, consisting of Israel, New York, Toronto, Montreal, Chicago, Los Angeles, south Florida, London, Paris, Sydney-Melbourne, Buenos Aires, Mexico City and Rio-Sao Paolo inevitably will have to be established by a network of entrepreneurs with the same skills as Boris Sperber so as to ensure that Jewish musical theatre will reach all available market audiences.

Until such a circuit and network of entrepreneurs is established, Congress' Yiddish committee will have to, at least temporarily, pick up where Boris Sperber left off.

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Authoritatively - performed tried-and-true showpieces characterized a recent Thomson Hall recital by violinist Nathan Milstein, who at 78 is the last great working survivor of the Jascha Heifetz generation.

The highlight was an authoritative performance of Bach's Partita in D minor for Solo Violin. Milstein's full, confidently smooth tone allowed for effortless agility in the fast passages of the familiar Chaconne with Variations as well as a sweeping grandeur when dealing with the main theme.

The other major work was an exuberant rendition of Beethoven's Kreutzer Sonata, accompanied by Arthur Balsam, and there were ample displays of his technical virtuosity in such shorter works as Wieniawski's Scherzo-Tarantelle as well as his own arrangement of Lizst's Mephisto Waltz.

The most interesting selection, however, was a much less technically demanding yet more musically challenging brief work by the early 20th century Polish composer Karol Szymanowski entitled La Fontaine d'Arethuse, which has a strong resemblance to Debussy but with a more soaring theme.

This work symbolized what a performer of such established reputation as Milstein should be doing more of. The Kreutzer and Partita have been done and done. But rarely-performed musical gems such as the Szymanowski have been underexposed, and the established greats, who attract the audiences, are in the position where they are most able to expand the audiences' musical horizons by emphasizing more the not-so-tried-and-true.

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When an internationally-circulated publication considered to be a cultural "youth-trend-setter" engages in the most blatantly hostile anti-Israel polemics, it is time for the Jewish cultural scene to, at the very least, collectively denounce it. A recent issue of the New York Village Voice, featuring a front page diatribe by Edward Said against Israel and its supporters, demands such a response.

Foot stompin' and hand clappin' has Oklahoma audience a-bootin'

By
LEN BUTCHER

TORONTO —

When you have Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey, actor Gordon Pinsent and Metro Police Chief Jack Ackroyd sitting within a few salad bowls of each other, something special must be happening.

And it was, as a star-studded audience came out in full force to watch one of the best musical comedies ever made, being performed in a new theatre, but still sporting an old and familiar name.

It was a memorable night for theatrical entrepreneur Adolf Toman as he reopened the Limelight Dinner Theatre recently in the basement of a new commercial building on Yonge St., between Eglinton and Davisville — a far cry from the old, drab church which was its original home.

But it was the show that more than 250 people in the audience had come to see and they weren't disappointed.

With a cast like veteran actress Barbara Hamilton leading the way, with an excellent performance as Aunt Eller, the youngsters in the cast followed splendidly.

Lynda Mackenzie, playing Laurie, is a lovely, fresh-faced girl with a beautiful voice, who sings effortlessly. If there is any flaw in her performance it is that when she is on stage as a spectator, she sometimes seems at a loss for the proper expression.

On the other hand, Hamilton, who does not sing, makes her presence felt whether she's hanging clothes on the line with her back to the audience, or rocking back and forth in her rocker while watching the cavorting on stage.

This lively musical, telling the story of boys chasing girls in the American West during frontier days, is still a winner. The Rodgers and Hammerstein music makes you feel good, whether you are listening to Oh! What a Beautiful Morning or People Will Say We're In Love, in which MacKenzie and Paul Gatchell as Curly teamed up perfectly.

Gatchell was a little hoarse opening night, but this didn't detract from his performance and in fact, in my opinion, the show stopper was Gatchell and Don McManus as Jud Fry doing Poor Jud Is Dead.

Oklahoma is an infectious musical and its foot-stompin' and hootin' and hollerin' soon get you caught up in the spirit of the whole thing.

All in the cast performed extremely well for opening night and by now will have smoothed out any wrinkles.

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By VIVIENNE MUHLING 481–6434

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Arts

One-sided attack on Zionism

Author's bias against Israel shows

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The Fate of the Jews: A People Torn Between Israeli Power and Jewish Ethics, by Roberta Strauss Feurlicht. Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $25.

This book is an unfair, one-sided attack on Zionism and the State of Israel.

In her unrelenting opposition to Israel the author dredges up every unsavory and ugly episode of the past half century. Second-hand allegations of violence, sadism and intolerance are accepted without scrutiny or reservation.

Some of these accusations derive from newspaper reports, anti-Israeli books and magazines and the Palestine Human Rights Bulletin.

A typical paragraph is the following:

"Of course Zionist terrorists had done nasty things, like plant mines in an Arab fruit market in Haifa, killing 74 civilians and wounding 129; assassinate the British minister in the Middle East, Lord Moyne; assassinate a UN peacemaker, Count Bernadotte; and massacre some 250 men, women and children at Deir Yassin . . . Not many Jews seemed conscious-stricken over the injury done to the Palestinians who were driven out, or who fled for their lives, or whose villages and culture were destroyed in the process of reclaiming and rebuilding the land."

Not one Israeli achievement or accomplishment in any field is mentioned, nor is there any concern shown for Israel's need for life and security in the face of Arab opposition and truculence.

The author is quite prepared to write Israel off as a bad mistake. As far as she is concerned the Jews of Israel are not only fighting Arabs, they are fighting history and geography as well by being in the wrong place at the wrong time. The Jews of the free world should be anticipating a major exodus from Israel when a time of crisis occurs.

The charges brought against Israel include an unwillingness to rescue the Falasha Jews of Ethiopia because of racial prejudice, a selective approach to Russian immigration (only those who benefit the economy) and discrimination against Sephardic Jews.

Feurlicht, when she turns to an examination of American Jewish leadership, finds it morally bankrupt. She asserts that wealthy and shortsighted leaders did little to rescue the Jews of Europe during the Holocaust.

At the core of this book is the thesis that what is enduring and distinctive about Judaism is an ethic of justice and righteousness. This ethic, first annunciated by the biblical prophets, was what made the Jewish people distinctive and exalted through history. This vision has now been lost. The Jewish people has become like all other peoples and Israel has become like all other nations.

The author harks back nostalgically to such half-forgotten early 20th century Socialist leaders as Abraham Cahan, Morris Hillquit and Meyer London as exemplars of compassion and honesty.

The Bund, an Eastern European organization that fought the czar and initiated Jewish self-defence is held up as a model of the ethical view that she exalts. "Unlike most secular Jews, who are unsure of their identity and therefore squander their heritage, the Bundists transformed Jewish ideals into action. They organized the first mass workers' movement among the Jews, cared for the needy, fought for their cultural identity, and helped engender revolution . . . The wide assumption that Jews as a whole are congenitally liberal or radical is based on the activities of a few generations of Russian Jewish Bundists in Europe and their successors in America.

Israel has made her share of mistakes. The North American Jewish leadership is not beyond reproach. Idealism tends to leak away and the ethical imperative is often neglected. There is room for argument, debate, challenge and discussion — but not for a destructive screed, no matter how well intended, that distorts history and provides comfort to the enemy.

Romeo & Juliet kicks off ballet

TORONTO —

The National Ballet of Canada will open its 3-week fall season Nov. 9 at the O'Keefe Centre, with Romeo and Juliet.

John Cranko's tale of star-crossed love will run until Nov. 13. It will be followed by a week (Nov. 16-20) of 1-act ballets which include two company premieres, Here We Come and Sylvia Pas de Decux and the world premiere of L'Ile Inconnue by resident choreographer Constantin Patsalas.

The season concludes Nov. 23 through Nov. 27 with Don Quixote.

Ticket prices range from $6.50 to $32.50 for evenings and Sunday matinees; $5 to $10.50 Thursday matinees; and $5 to $25.50 for Saturday matinees.

The National Ballet has also announced the appointment of Wendy Reid as marketing director for the ballet. Currently manager of operations for the Toronto Symphony, Reid is an MBA graduate of York University.

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Italian influence dominates Koffler exhibit

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

The Koffler Gallery, Koffler Centre of the Arts, has opened its fall season with a 2-man exhibition of drawings, prints and sculpture by Hagop Khoubesserian and a retrospective display of a sculpture by Samuel Lazar Kagan, who died in 1981.

In the Koffler Centre's Loggia Gallery are the works of Ethel Raicus, a non-objective painter in acrylic, watercolor, oil and gouache.

Both shows continue until Oct. 27.

Born in Egypt of Armenian background, Khoubesserian lived for many years in Italy and studied at the School of Fine Arts in Rome, coming to Canada in 1961.

The Italian influence is frequently evident in his works — a fountain here, a mosaic there. The artist loves Italy and concedes that even his recent drawings reflect that attraction.

Khoubesserian makes no general statement. Each work is an entity, conceived from an idea which appealed to him at a certain moment.

Black and white is used exclusively, for contrast, and each drawing is precisely planned. He starts with a small sketch, then carefully, he enlarges, plotting the composition, and finally producing very controlled, stylized pen and ink drawings. His interest in architecture is evident.

There is stillness and space. "I place the horizon very high, to draw the eye toward infinity," he explains. And he likes to use gentle undulations of water, which invite rather than repulse. His trademark is a sun . . . somewhere on the horizon.

Khoubesseriar's figures seem set forever and ever. In Tango on the Terrace, chess-like twosomes dance eternally on a tiled patio, and The Couple will remain entwined always. His bronze sculptures taken from the drawings, convery the same concept.

But he can create drama. Eclipse, portraying a company of horsemen, their faces averted as they gaze toward a series of discs in the heavens, is magnetic.

Samuel Lazar Kagan was infused with revolutionary ideals, and his depth of feeling for the people is strongly projected in his sculptures of workers, left-wing writers, and socialist intellectuals.

Emigrating from Russia, he came to Canada at the age of 16 in 1922, filled with exalted expectations of an equal society. He became involved in workers' unions and such organizations as the United Jewish People's Order and the Progressive Arts Club.

He worked in the coal business during the day and attended night school. In the late 20s he studied art part time at Central Technical School and the Ontario College of Art.

Look into the bleak face of his plaster head, Unemployed of the Dirty 30s, and you can understand his compassion and compulsion. Study his Miner, a bare-chested figure carrying a pick, and know the dignity of manual work.

Portrait of Bakerspiegel reveals the bright inquiring of a Polish immigrant, a cultured intellectual, who had to earn his living in the needle trade.

Kagan liked the Jewish classics. Der Memirover, a little bearded man bent under a bundle of sticks, was inspired by Peretz' tale of the rabbi who disappeared each year and was believed to be ascending to heaven. Finally someone discovered that he was actually carrying wood to a sick woman, and declared that the pious man certainly ascended to heaven, "if not higher."

The sculptor had empathy for children and musicians.

Portrait of Maia, shows a pert, curly haired child with the world ahead. His bust of Morris Surdin, unfinished and cast in plaster by Paul Magder in 1982, captures the lurking smile of the Canadian composer who was able to live his musical dream.

Kagan's disillusionment with the Russian brand of socialism emerged when he painstakingly produced 24 bronze medallions in tribute to the Soviet-Jewish writers murdered during the 50s purge.

Ethel Raicus, a graduate of Central Technical School and the Ontario College of Art, will not explain her abstract paintings. She insists that each person must rely on his or her own response.

Miner, circa 1933, by Anne Kagan, now showing at the Koffler Gallery.

Some words of 'wisdom' from the past.

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Arts

Fierce loyalty mark of Dresdnere

Dealer sees himself as middleman for artists

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Simon Dresdnere denies that he is an artist.

"I'm a merchant," he said last week. He sat sipping a glass of wine at his relatively new gallery quarters at 12 Hazelton Ave. and he was pensive. He was celebrating the opening of an exhibit by Toronto artist John Ward and also his own 27th anniversary as one of Canada's leading art dealers.

"I'm just a middleman," he insisted, "between the artist and the public."

A good many people in Toronto's art community would dispute his claim.

For one thing, the 57-year-old, Bucharest-born Dresdnere, who survived confinement in the ghetto in Cernowitz, Romania during World War II, looks like an artist and has the artistic temperament.

He's stubby and rumpled and moustachioed. He has blazing hazel eyes and lots of ensnaring charm. He's stubborn, uncompromising and given to peppery opinions and a fierce loyalty to the artists he represents.

For another, though you have to drag it out of him, he gruffly acknowledges he almost starved to death in the early 1950s, living in a Toronto garret while struggling to become a playwright.

He ultimately gave up the artist's life after three years and 13 script rejections from the CBC. He took grim solace as he quit in finally receiving a $750 check from Armstrong Theatre in New York for one TV drama and $1,500 for another one he sold to Telepix in Hollywood.

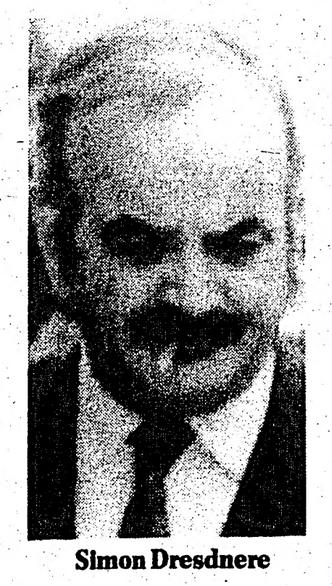
Like most artists, he doesn't profess to be a good businessman. "Otherwise I could afford to spend six months each year lolling about in Florida," he says.

He puts his money where his mouth is in promoting rebellious non-conformists whose art is brilliantly ahead of the times. He took it upon himself recently to splurge in publishing a deluxe limited edition of Miller Brittain In Focus, 290 copies which sold at $1,100 to $2,450 of the biography of the late Saint John, N.B., painter, considered a genius who was never recognized when he died in 1968.

Finally, Dresdnere is trusted as a true fellow artist by the 18 contemporary painters who are presently in his stable. His handshake is his contract with them, and he has represented some of them for almost two decades.

William Ronald of Toronto is the star artist whose paintings fetch the highest prices (up to $25,000). Dresdnere is preparing to exhibit, from Oct. 26 to Nov. 12, Ronald's non-objective abstracts of Canada's 16 prime ministers.

Other painters he represents range from Yehuda Chaki of Montreal to Ronald Bloore of Toronto, and include such diverse stylists as Gary Olson, Jennifer Dickson, Ivan Wheale and Norman Laliberte.



Simon Dresdnere

Dresdnere acquired his love for literature and the arts from his father, Fabian, a language professor who went broke running a second-hand book store in New York.

"My practical-minded mother would scold him for bringing home books he'd bought for his private collection instead of shoes for the children."

The collector's mania for fine books and art was passed on to the son.

When Dresdnere arrived in Canada, his wealth consisted of a $100 bill, rolled up in a little metal tube for safekeeping. After working in lowly clerical jobs in the textile and TV commercial business, he borrowed $10,000 from the bank, and in 1965, opened Galerie Dresdnere on Crescent St. in Montreal.

In 1961, when he opened a second gallery on Bloor St. in Toronto, he remembers there were only six "reputable galleries" here. "Now there are are at least 40 of them in Toronto," he says, "and the market for art has expanded phenomenally."

Here are a few of his more provocative opinions:

• On Toronto art critics:

"Their coverage is spotty. I'd like to see more factual reportage and less ventilating of personal spleen in essays.

"I'd also like to see more professionalism. The Canada Council ought to provide scholarships for young writers specializing in art criticism, just as grants are given for training museum curators."

• On Toronto's art-buying public:

"I wish more buyers would do their homework, read up on art, and feel more secure about purchasing worthwhile works by unknowns. Too many try to keep up with the Joneses and be in the swim. They stick to the big names who may not be better artists.

"I get a laugh out of hearing a collector brag, 'I have the best of A. Y. Jacksons in my collection.' I ask myself: 'Where are the lemons?' Every artist turns out inferior pieces, too, but no collector ever admits to owning one of them."

• On artists' wives:

"A few of their widows are so arrogant I wish sometimes they were, like women in India, buried along with their husbands.

"But mostly my heart goes out to the wives and common-law wives of artists. They put up with his difficult moods, sometimes support him financially, take the brunt of his practical hardships. Then, when he's successful and in his 60s, he dumps long-suffering old faithful and takes up with a chick of 18.

"I often ask the wives of artists, 'What did you see in him when you were a steno who knew nothing about art and he was a nobody?' I've yet to get a good answer."

• On the joys of being an art dealer:

"It's a volatile business, and I've had my ups and downs. But it's been a pleasure building long-lasting friendships with artists who are generally a fascinating, gutsy bunch of romantics. And it's been fun."

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Beaches, baseball and birdwatching

Clearwater's coast is alive with brightly-colored sails

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

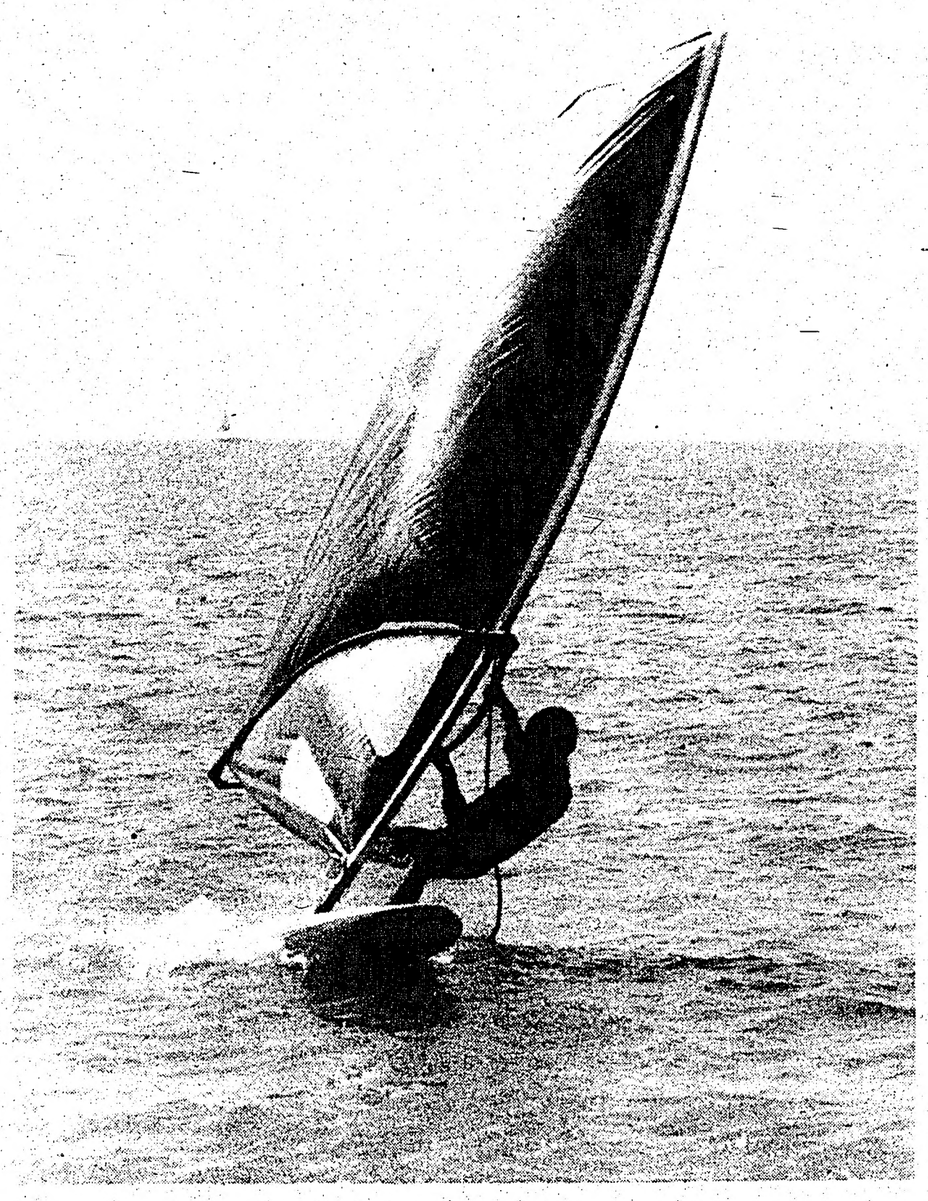
CLEARWATER BEACH, Fla. —

Here on a long thin island off the city of Clearwater you can really learn how to relax. The fine wide white sand beaches stretch almost endlessly and the sun shines almost every day. The waters of the Gulf of Mexico come lazily ashore — large waves are a rarity.

This is an area of beachfront resorts — though the beach is public — where you can walk long distances, or play a type of beach volleyball, or go windsurfing or fishing.

Vacationers swim here, or sit under thatched umbrellas with cool drinks, or fly kites, or go to visit nearby small islands in the Intracoastal Waterway which separates the long, thin island from the mainland.

Windsurfing is probably the fastest growing sport in this area, this travel reporter learned on a recent trip to the Clearwater area. Because the water temperature rarely dips below 15 degrees Celsius (60 Fahrenheit) the brightly colored sails of windsurfers can be spotted on much of the 128 miles (206 kms.) of shoreline.



Windsurfing is popular on Florida's gulf coast.

If you don't bring your own surf board and sail, you can rent windsurfers. And if you have not tried that sport before, there are a number of instructors set up at various parts of the beach to teach the rudiments and fine points of this new exciting sport. In 1979 Clearwater Beach was the site of Windsurfer World Championships with competitors from all over the world.

The fishing all along this coastal area can be from shore, from long piers or by boat. You can try surf-casting at Clearwater Pass where the inland waters meet the Gulf of Mexico, or shore fishing along the Memorial Causeway which connects the beach with the mainland.

Charter boats for deep fishing operate from any of the many marinas in the area.

The waters of the Gulf of Mexico and the inland waterway abound in mackerel, grouper, snapper, trout, snook, mullet and shellfish of all varieties. You don't need a fishing license for saltwater fishing. Tackle and fishing equipment can be rented at bait shops or marinas all along the west coast.

Baseball fans coming to the west coast resort area can watch training games at several places. The New York Mets and the St. Louis Cardinals train and play in the St. Petersburg area, the Philadelphia Phillies at Clearwater, and the Toronto Blue Jays at Dunedin.

Just south of Clearwater Beach is another area of white sand beaches with six semi-tropical communities stretching for about 10 miles. This is a haven for water sports enthusiasts where you'll find plenty of sailboats, powerboats, water-skiers and fishermen.

It is also where there are birdwatchers for ospreys, herons and egrets and other species. Here too is the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary where injured birds are treated, often accounting for more than 500 birds of 40 species being at the sanctuary at a time.

Further south in the Fort Myers area are the Sanibel and Captive Islands, havens for beachcombers and shell collectors, where there are now a few resorts but the long white sand beaches are still good for finding unusual sea shells.

Cultural activities are concentrated in the Sarasota area, south of St. Petersburg.

The circus king John Ringling willed his vast properties in the Sarasota area to the state of Florida and today thousands come to see his former mansion, the old Italian Asolo Theatre he built there and the art museum. The museum is filled with 13th to 18th century European art treasures, paintings, sculptures and furniture.

The Asolo Theatre produces old plays and old movies; the 30-room Ringling mansion is furnished as it was when the Ringlings lived there in the 1920s.

The Circus Museum has been open since 1948 with a vast collection of circus memorabilia including 100-year-old circus wagons and a vast collection of circus posters.

At St. Petersburg there is a new Salvador Dali Museum with works of the Spanish surrealist artist including almost 100 oil paintings, 200 watercolors and hundreds of sculptures, graphics and other works of art.

At Dunedin there is a railroad museum housed in what was the Orange Belt railroad station, built a century ago. There is also a Museum of Fine Arts at St. Petersburg and a Historical Museum of early community landmarks, china, glassware and dolls.

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Travel

Kibbutz is endless source of interest— excellent facilities offered to tourists

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Visitors to a kibbutz guest house can wander around grounds to see examples of the collective lifestyle.

AYELET HASHAHAR — The kibbutz guest house gives visitors to Israel a chance not only to relax in serene surroundings, but to experience first-hand a way of life admired in many circles.

Israel's 16 kibbutz guest houses, ranging from Ayelet Hashahar in the north to Shoresh in the south, have become increasingly popular with Israelis and foreigners alike.

It isn't hard to understand why kibbutzim — there are, all in all, 250 of them throughout the country — lure tourists.

First, the kibbutz is so thoroughly identified with Israel and its history. Kibbutzniks, comprising merely 3% of the population of Israel, have had a disproportionate impact on the nation. They have produced more than their fair share of artists, writers, diplomats and army officers, and they supply Israelis with much of their food.

And the kibbutz is an endless source of interest to those, both in Israel and abroad, who are drawn to its collective values.

Second, kibbutz guest houses offer the visitor the simple joys of tranquility and peace of mind a city hotel cannot match. In places like Hagoshrim, near the Lebanese border, and Beit Oren, on the Carmel mountain range, the natural beauty acts like a tranquilizer.

In times of war, the stillness has been shattered. But otherwise, you can depend on the kibbutz guest house as a retreat from the maddening crowd.

All but two provide 3-star accommodation. Four-star comfort is available at Ayelet Hashahar, in the Galilee panhandle, and Nof Ginosar, on the shores of Lake Kinneret.

Rates are reasonable. At Ayelet Hashahar, a single room is $35 per night and a double, $55. Meals, which are extra, are in the $8 range. Unlike at a hotel, you can ask for second helpings. All food is kosher.

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The largest guest house is owned and managed by Ayelet Hashahar, which has a permanent population of 480. Last year, 70,000 overnight visitors were put up, 70% of whom were from overseas.

They had the pick of a swimming pool, tennis court, theatre, soccer field and an archeological museum. And, if they so desired, they could take short trips to the nature reserves in the vicinity.

According to Dov (Bebele) Eshkol, who was general manager for 20 years, the mix of guests has changed in the past 15 years.

Back then, nearly all of them were Jewish. Today, 40% are Christians.

Eshkol, a tireless promoter, who was recently named Man of the Year in Tourism, said that Ayelet Hashahar opened its guest house in 1947. "And it was an accident," he explained between sips of his Russian-style tea.

An American Zionist, Bessie Brasley, had for years badgered the authorities to build a facility in the Upper Galilee so that Jews visiting the region would have somewhere to stay.

Not all the kibbutzniks were keen about the idea, some opposing it on ideological grounds. "They said that a kibbutz shouldn't create an enterprise that would make kibbutzniks into waiters and maids," Eshkol related.

After heated debate, a compromise was struck. The guest house would be small, and a good part of the staff would be recruited from outside the kibbutz.

In 1960, Eshkol — who had joined the kibbutz in 1939 following emigration from Germany — took over the management after a career in the army and a brief stint as a Zionist emissary.

Never having dealt with tourism, Eshkol had to learn the business from the ground up. "We learned by trial and error, but we learned quickly."

Under his stewardship, Ayelet Hashahar expanded as demand boomed. With the draining of the Huleh Valley swamp and the excavation of the Hazor archeological site, both close to the kibbutz, increasing number of tourists converged on the Upper Galilee.

By 1965, Ayelet Hashahar was turning a tidy profit.

"People liked the atmosphere, and I don't just mean the scenery. We used beautiful girls as waitresses and we trained them to be friendly. It was unusual in Israel for a waitress to smile. This was our contribution to Israeli tourism."

Over the years, Ayelet Hashahar has prospered, becoming what is perhaps the best known guest house in Israel. But it has had its troubles, too.

During the Six Day War, Syrian gunners atop the Golan Heights shelled the perimeter of the kibbutz. In the Yom Kippur War, the Syrians hit the guest house, damaging 43 of its rooms. There were no casualties in either instance. But, in the course of the war in Lebanon last year, three kibbutz members serving in the armed forces were killed.

The kibbutz, having painfully absorbed these blows, has carried on as if nothing has happened.

"When I arrived in Ayelet Hashahar, it was nothing," reminisced Eshkol, who is 69. "It was very hard at the beginning. I caught malaria 12 times. We have come a long way in 44 years. And we intend to go forward."

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Bargains beckon travelers

World oil glut forces Venezuela to look at tourism for bolivars

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

CARACAS, Venezuela— Venezuela seldom comes to mind when a traveler conjures up visions of dreamy vacations in the Caribbean.

When the cold weather hits Canada, a would-be tourist thinks of places like the Bahamas, Barbados, Jamaica or other islands in the sun.

Venezuela gets lost in the shuffle . . . but perhaps this is understandable.

Until recently, the Venezuelan government had no burning interest in tourism, the lifeblood of most Caribbean nations. Venezuela's vast oil reserves, among the largest in the world, contributed in large part to that attitude.

Times have changed and now Venezuela is emphasizing tourism for what is probably the first time in its history.

The world oil glut, which has affected OPEC members like Venezuela, accounts for the new emphasis on tourism.

Four hours away by air from Toronto, Venezuela is clearly a destination one should consider.

As a result of a recent devaluation, Venezuela is cheaper than ever. But this is only one reason for its appeal.

Venezuela possesses 2,800 kilometres of coastline — reportedly more than all the Caribbean islands combined. And some of the beaches are just lovely. Angel Falls, twice the size of New York's Empire State Building, is the world's highest, lying deep in the Amazonian rain forest. Further north, the snow-capped Andes rear up jaggedly.

Venezuela's weather is dependable, with a mean annual temperature of 26 C.

Caracas, the capital, is the gateway to Venezuela — which has a population of some 16 million. With nearly 4 million inhabitants, Caracas is a worldly city, a mosaic of Spaniards, Indians, Italians, Portuguese, Greeks, Germans, Central Europeans, Arabs and Jews.

Set in a 9-mile long valley, Caracas was founded in 1567 by a Spanish explorer. At 3,000 feet above sea level, Caracas is an architectural melange of colonial buildings and modern glass skyscrapers and highrises.

If Caracas has a heart and soul, it is probably Simon Bolivar Plaza. Named after the liberator of Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Colombia, the tree-shaded square is a quiet retreat from the constant hum and roar of Caracas' traffic.

Casa Natal, Bolivar's 250-year old restored home, lies around the corner. A stucco and stained wood masterpiece, Casa Natal is now a museum commemorating Bolivar's career as a politican and military leader.

Venezuela's imposing parliament, conspicuous by its gold-coated dome, is in a leafy garden of bougainvillea, palm trees and banana plants. A black wrought-iron gate encloses the site.

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The cupola is decorated with a grand battle scene, and the main hall is filled with sombre oil paintings of illustrious generals and political figures who fought for Venezuela's independence.

Caracas, as one might imagine, will entice shoppers, particularly since the devaluation of the bolivar, the national currency. Shoes and leather goods are high-profile items and they can be purchased at about a third of the price compared to Canada.

As befits a cosmopolitan metropolis, Caracas has many fine restaurants which both a gourmet and a gourmand will no doubt enjoy.

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By
JAMES MONTAGNES

Whether you plan to visit Israel for the first time or have been there on more than one trip, you will find the growing number of new guide books to Israel filled with information, no matter what your interest in Israel may be.

At least four new travel guide books are to be found now in bookstores and some public libraries.

The only guide book published in Jerusalem is the Bazak Guide To Israel, now available in a 1984 updated edition (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, Toronto, $15.95). This book is replete with road maps, tourist routes for those who drive their own cars with a wealth of detail on what to see as well as historic sites, names and descriptions of health resorts, all star-graded accommodations from deluxe hotels to youth hostels, rooms in private homes and camping sites.

The book lists and gives data on most restaurants in main cities.

The Bazak Guide has some advertisements, gives historical data, information for all religious sites in the country, describes archeological developments and much more.

Some 150 years ago Karl Baedeker issued the first modern travel guide to European countries. This guide became synonymous with the name travel guide book. It was not issued since about 1940, but came back in new format and is accurate and data-filled as the earlier Baedekers a few years ago. Now there is a Baedeker's Israel [Prentice-Hall Canada, Toronto, $16.95] with over 200 color photographs, 90 maps and a large road map.

The 286-page book is detailed to the smallest item likely to be of interest to a tourist, with 50 pages alone devoted to walks in Jerusalem.

It does not list hotels but gives the ratings established by the Israel Hotel Association, lists on a map the beaches, health resorts and kibbutz guest houses, youth hostels, campsites, tour operators, and national parks. Its the kind of guide book you'll have with you when sightseeing.

A miniaturized travel guide is the Berlitz Jerusalem and the Holy Land (Collier Macmillan Canada, Toronto, $4.95) a real pocket book filled with color photos, city maps and information on everything from taxis to sightseeing hours, from what to wear to public holidays, from nightlife to useful expressions in Hebrew and Arabic.

The small 128-page book measures 4 by 5½ inches. There is a companion volume (same price), Berlitz Hebrew For Travellers, with some 1,200 phrases, 2,000 useful words when shopping, dining, sightseeing and relaxing.

The Let's Go Series of travel guide books published by Harvard Student Agencies includes a 1983 volume to Greece, Israel and Egypt (Fleet Publishers, Scarborough, Ont., $7.95), a 540-page book for the budget-minded, with 150 pages devoted to sightseeing in Israel, giving accommodations, youth hostels, campsites for the student generation.

Named are the inexpensive eating places and nightclubs, how to bargain in the markets, where to find archeological diggings).

This book also deals with travel in Greece, Cyprus and Egypt, and entry as well as currency requirements for the various countries.

Body and mind plan launched by hotel

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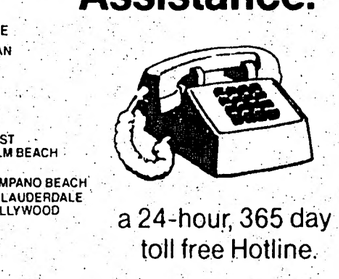
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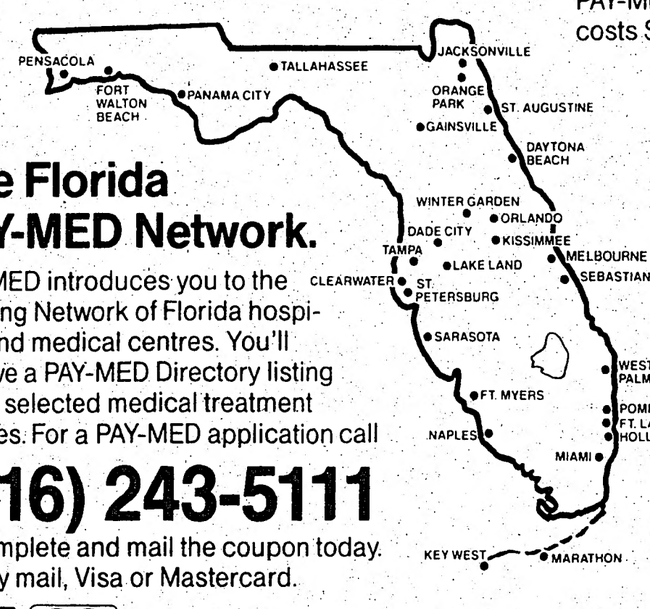

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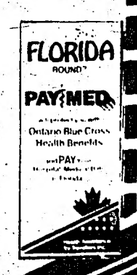

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Thornhill volunteer will form chapters

Toronto newest site as Altrusa grows in Canada

By
TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —
Barbara Bush, the wife of American vice-president George Bush is an Altrusan. So are many female governors in the U.S.

They are all members of Altrusa International Inc. — a worldwide women's service club.

The name Altrusa derives from the adjective altruistic, a person unselfishly devoted to the welfare of others. The organization is an outlet for businesswomen to meet other women and do voluntary service in their community.

Altrusa International was established in 1917 by Mamie Bass, a businesswoman from Knoxville, Tenn. Bass was prevented from joining her local Rotary club, a men's service organization to which her brother belonged, so she formed a women's service group instead.

There are now Altrusa clubs in 17 countries including Scotland, India and Korea, with some 20,000 members worldwide.

Altrusa was started in Canada in 1945 by Americans who emigrated to this country.

Today, there are seven Canadian Altrusa clubs in Hamilton, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg and Montreal. Expansion is now planned to Toronto and Gayle Zack of Thornhill was recently appointed by the international co-ordinator of Altrusa to form chapters here.

Zacks, a former special education teacher, was never involved with Altrusa before, but seems well suited for her new job as organizer. She started a Meals-on-Wheels program in Thornhill, has worked with mentally retarded children in a summer camp and has helped her husband who is a part-time driver for the Hebrew Club for the Blind. (He works full time as a special education teacher.)

Presently Zack is interested in forming a club for Altrusans living in the areas of Willowdale and Thornhill/Richmond Hill.

This summer she met with volunteer leaders and service club presidents in Willowdale, as well as with members of the North York Business Association, to find out who would be interested in joining her group and what community services were vitally needed in this sector of the city.

So far Zack has attracted some dozen women from Willowdale/Thornhill through information meetings.

Another information meeting on Altrusa's local organization was held Oct. 4 and a next meeting for the women's group is set for Oct. 24. For further details call Zack at 381-0047.

Gayle Zack

Membership at each Altrusa club is limited to 10% from any single career field, so Altrusans can meet women from a wide variety of professional backgrounds.

Dues for members are $40 per year. Half goes to the Altrusa International Foundation, a non-profit group based in Chicago, which administers funds for Altrusa's educational, scientific and charitable projects.

Another $10 goes to a member's Altrusa district (clubs are divided geographically into districts and clubs in an area growing into district status are known as clubs-at-large).

The last $10 is used by the individual clubs.

Zack characterizes Altrusans as busy women who want to foster their personal and professional development as businesswomen by learning voluntary skills.

"Altrusans must join finance, vocational aid and other committees. Each chairman of a committee decides on a particular project for the year and this involves working on a budget, establishing contacts in the business community and promoting the project to the media," Zack explained.

Altrusa clubs get involved in local community projects.

The Altrusa club in Hamilton for example, donated personal emergency information capsules — Vials of Life, to those with health problems and the Altrusa chapter in Elgin, Ill. joined forces with the Well Child Conference to conduct a free lead-screening program.

Altrusa is recognized worldwide for promoting literacy, Zacks said, and has funded 10 schools in India through its literacy project. It has a member in consultative status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council who has voting privileges on funding of literacy programs worldwide.

Another key Altrusa program is the Founders Fund for Vocational Aid, started in 1917 when age increasingly became a barrier to older women.

FFVA awards range from $100 to $800 yearly for training that will qualify a person for employment, for retraining that will move a person from a low level skill job to a skilled occupation, for purchase of equipment needed for self-employment and for personal rehabilitation.

Besides its dedication to the literacy project and the FFVA, Altrusa's third priority is its grants-in-aid.

Grants of $250-$1,000 are given yearly to graduating women students in developing countries, enabling them to complete their training in a country other than their own and in which there is an Altrusa club.

Zack said that the women presently involved in Altrusa locally have shown interest in sponsoring information days to guide women in preparing income taxes and seeking legal aid.

She added that another Altrusa project in this area would be sponsorship of a literacy program. Zack said that according to the North York Literacy Council there are 85,000 people in North York who can't read or write beyond the grade 9 level.

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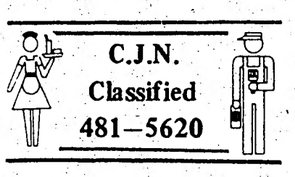

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Cohen, Lena on September 29, 1983, late of 6000 Bathurst St., #505, Will.
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Handelman, Jack on September 28, 1983, late of 3595 Keele St., Toronto.
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Kellner, Margaret on September 19, 1983, late of 55 Ameer Ave., Tor.
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Spetter, Oscar on September 28, 1983, late of 149 Alameda Ave., Toronto.
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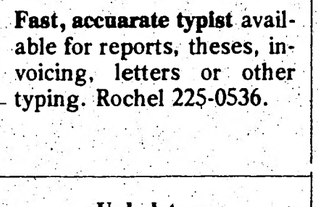

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Guidebook for non-Jews

NEW YORK [JTA] —

A guidebook specifically written for the growing number of non-Jews converting to Judaism, as well as for the increasing number of born Jews who are believed to want to enlarge their basic Jewish knowledge has been published under Reform auspices.

The 196-page soft-cover book, Introduction to Judaism, a Course Outline, was issued by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the association of Reform synagogues. Compiled and edited by Rabbi Stephen Einstein and Sydia Kukoff, regarded as pioneers in the field of education for Jews-by-choice, the manual is designed to serve as both a resource book and a record of personal progress in Jewish living, the authors said.

The manual utilizes the Jewish holidays and the Jewish life cycle to introduce the study of Jewish theology, ethics, values, tradition, history, literature and observance.

They also said that the volume, based on experimental conversion education classes conducted by them for the past five years, creates a unique "learn and do" approach to conversion or basic Jewish study.

It offers traditional source material as well as modern, innovative practices for the celebration of the Sabbath, Holy Days and the various Jewish rites of passage.

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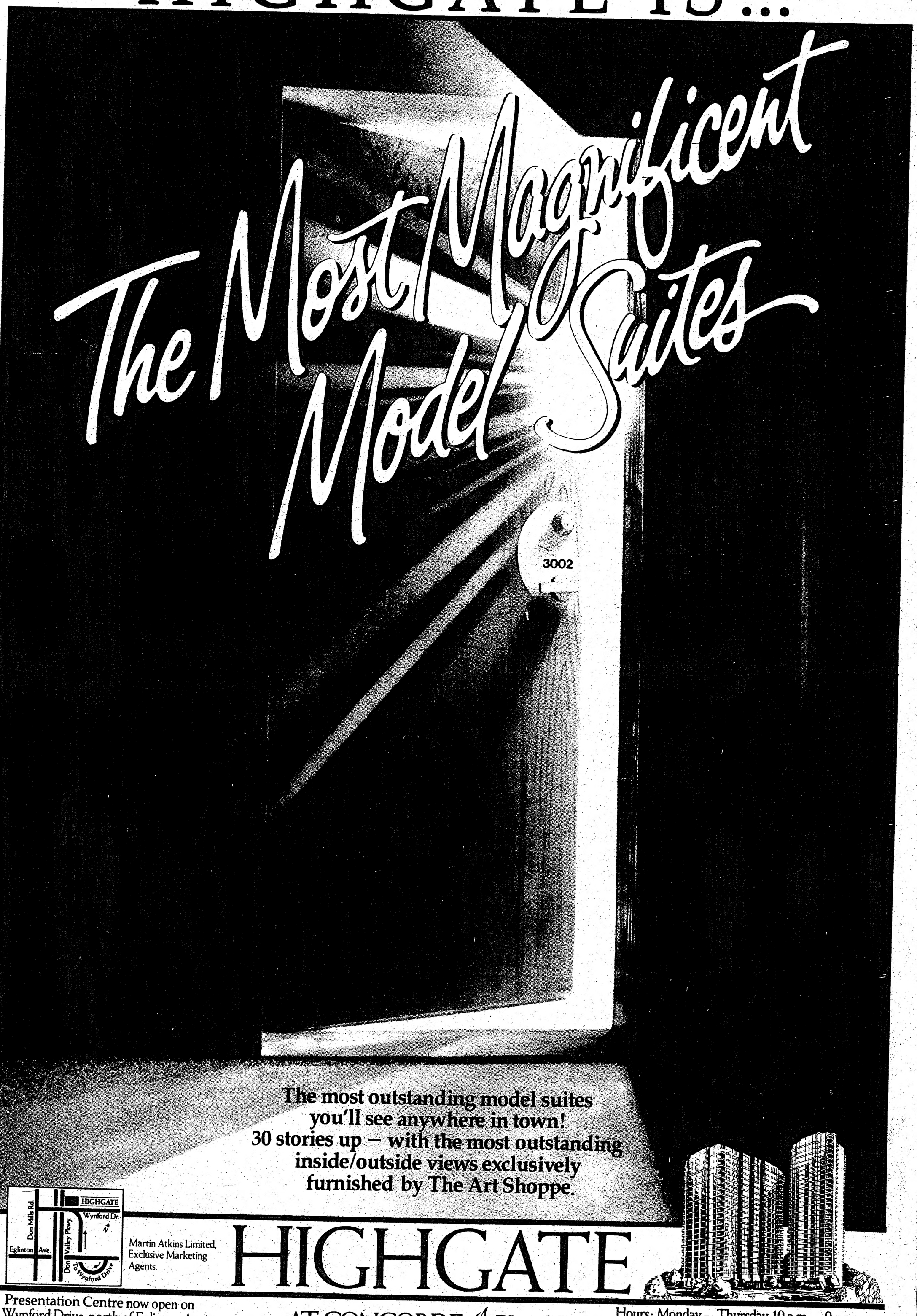

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